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## INTRODUCTION

On the west coast of the United States commercial trawl fisheries logbook data have been recorded and collected by fishermen in the States of Washington, Oregon, and California for many years. One of the primary uses of such data is to study trends in catch rate or catch-per-unit-effort (CPUE). For example, results presented in Fox and Starr (1996) showed that, at least for certain species, spatial distributions of catch rate using trawl logbook data coincided with spatial distributions of catch rate from the Alaska Fisheries Science Center's (AFSC) triennial shelf trawl survey, a major fishery-independent research survey. They also argued that long-term declines in stock biomass can be revealed from the study of trawl logbook data. Other authors have also analyzed west coast trawl logbook data with the specific goal of developing time series of stock abundance for use in assessments of exploited stocks (e.g., Brodziak 1997; Sampson 1997).

Rockfishes of the genus *Sebastes* are particularly difficult to assess due to the multitude of species, contagious distributional patterns, and occurrences in habitats that are difficult to sample or survey. The Pacific Fishery Management Council (PFMC), in its **Research and Data Needs for 1998-2000**, has identified the need to "continue evaluation of the use of trawl logbook data to measure relative abundance of groundfish." Moreover, the Scientific and Statistical Committee of the PFMC has, in its recent **Guidelines to Assessment Authors**, required that all groundfish stock assessments include an analysis of commercial logbook data when they are available.

The objective of this report is to conduct a comprehensive and rigorous analysis of the California trawl logbook data set to evaluate whether or not it provides a coherent picture of species-specific trends in the abundance of exploited rockfish stocks. Of particular interest are those species that the PFMC manages with trip or bimonthly cumulative limits to achieve optimum yield (OY), including bocaccio (*Sebastes paucispinis*), chilipepper (*S. goodei*), widow rockfish (*S. entomelas*), canary rockfish (*S. pinniger*), and yellowtail rockfish (*S. flavidus*). In addition, most of the species investigated by Pearson and Ralston (1990) are examined, including darkblotched rockfish (*S. crameri*), splitnose rockfish (*S. diploproa*), bank rockfish (*S. rufus*), and blackgill rockfish (*S. melanostomus*). Taken together these nine species comprise over 90% of all the rockfish that have been landed by the California trawl fishery since 1980.

## MATERIALS AND METHODS

The State of California requires that if one fishes commercially with trawl gear a logbook must be maintained and periodically submitted to the California Department of Fish & Game (CDF&G). The data from the logbooks are structured so that each record (i.e., observation) represents the information concerning one trawl haul. Consequently, variables in the logbook database include: haul number, vessel number, date fished, the geographic CDF&G reporting block where the trawling occurred, port of landing, hours fished, and the pounds captured of 27 distinct taxa. The logbook data are extensive, representing the results of over 380,000 hauls (records) that have been conducted over a nineteen-year period (1978-96) (Figure 1).

Due to the very large number of ports of landing in the State of California, some of which are responsible for trivial groundfish catches, it was desirable to reduce the data to the essential ports responsible for the preponderance of trawling activity. The logbook data were therefore subsetted to include only observations from the following ports of landings: Crescent City [201], Field's Landing [217], Eureka [220], Fort Bragg [223], San Francisco [440], Princeton [452], Bodega Bay [473], Monterey [550], Moss Landing [592], Avila [602], or Morro Bay [606]. Although this reduced the number of ports in the data set from 277 to 11, only 10.3% of all the records were deleted. Moreover, to further streamline and consolidate the information, records from Field's Landing, Princeton, Moss Landing, and Avila were reassigned and merged with the ports of Eureka, San Francisco, Monterey, and Morro Bay, respectively.

Among the many taxa are four nominal categories representing certain *Sebastes* species, including widow rockfish (*S. entomelas*), Pacific ocean perch (*S. alutus*), splitnose rockfish (*S. diploproa*), and other "rockfish." However, due to low catches of *S. alutus* in California and to changing practices by industry in the sorting of *S. diploproa* into various economic market categories (Figure 2), neither of those two species can be analyzed reliably on a species-specific basis using the logbook data. Moreover, the incidence of positive occurrences of nominal widow rockfish in the logbook data set did not stabilize until 1982 (Figure 3), after the fishery went through a dramatic expansion (Gunderson 1984). For these reasons, in the analysis that follows I have attempted to estimate the species-specific catch rate of widow rockfish from the logbook data alone for the period 1982-96. Also presented is a procedure for estimating the catch rate of other rockfish species using the logbook data in an aggregated form, in conjunction with commercial landings statistics to decompose the data to the species level. Such a calculation was used by Ralston *et al.* (1998) in a stock assessment of chilipepper rockfish.

The latter procedure is based on the idea that the unstandardized catch rate ( $\theta$ ) of the aggregate of rockfish species taken during a single trawl tow can be calculated as:

$$\theta_{ypvmbt} = \frac{C_{ypvmbt}}{f_{ypvmbt}},$$

where  $C_{ypvmbt}$  is the total catch in pounds of "rockfish" taken during year **y** at port **p** by vessel **v** fishing in month **m** within CDF&G reporting block **b** during tow **t**. Similarly,  $f_{ypvmbt}$  is the fishing effort (hours trawled) required to capture the fish. Throughout this analysis the trawl logbook data were restricted to include only those hauls that produced a positive rockfish catch from a positive fishing effort. Next, the data were stratified by port and fitted to an analysis of variance model of the form:

$$\log_e[\theta_{ypvmbt}] = \mu_p + \zeta_{yp} + v_{vp} + \psi_{mp} + \beta_{bp} + \varepsilon_{ypvmbt},$$

where  $\mu_p$  is the mean of the natural logarithm of the catch rate at port **p**,  $\zeta_{yp}$  is a port-specific year effect,  $v_{vp}$  is a port-specific vessel effect,  $\psi_{mp}$  is the port-specific effect due to month of capture,  $\beta_{bp}$  is the port-specific effect attributable to reporting block, and  $\varepsilon_{ypvmbt}$  is a port-specific normally distributed error term ( $\sim \mathcal{N}[0, \sigma_p^2]$ ). To ensure that all effects in the model were well estimated, the data were censored on a port-by-port basis to include only those CDF&G reporting blocks with at least 500 catch records and those vessels with at least 200 hauls.

More complex models involving interaction terms were also evaluated during initial exploratory analyses, but these were ultimately discarded in favor of the simple model, primarily due to a consideration of parsimony versus realism (Table 1). Note that port-specific  $r^2$  values generally increased as the complexity of the ANOVA model grew, with complexity gauged by the number of parameters estimated (i.e., model degrees of freedom). However, the increased explanatory power of Models 2-4 came at substantial cost. For example, at San Francisco the best fitting model (#4) accounted for only 4% more of the variance in log-catch rate than did the simple model (#1), and yet it required estimation of an additional 433 parameters. Upon consideration of these tradeoffs and the relatively good predictive capability of the simple non-interactive model, I decided to use Model 1 in all subsequent analyses.

The data were fitted using the General Linear Model (GLM) procedure available in the SAS Institute Inc. (1987) software system. Port-specific least-square means (Searle *et al.* 1980) were estimated for all year effects in the model (i.e.,  $\hat{Y}_{yp}$ ), as well as the standard errors of the estimates ( $s_y$ ). That is:

$$\hat{Y}_{yp} = \log_e[\hat{\theta}_{yp}] = \mu_p + \zeta_{yp} + \bar{v}_{vp} + \bar{\psi}_{mp} + \bar{\beta}_{bp},$$

where all terms are as before, except that  $\bar{v}_{vp}$  is the simple average of all port-specific vessel effects,  $\bar{\psi}_{mp}$  is the mean port-specific monthly effect, and  $\bar{\beta}_{bp}$  is the average of the various port-specific CDF&G reporting block effects. Finally, year and port specific estimates of "rockfish" catch rate ( $\hat{\theta}_{yp}$ ), corrected for back-transformation bias, were calculated according to:

$$\hat{\theta}_{yp} = \exp(\hat{Y}_{yp} + \frac{1}{2} \sigma_p^2),$$

where  $\sigma_p^2$  is the mean-squared error term of the model estimated for port **p** (Johnson and Kotz 1970). Those authors also show that the coefficient of variation (CV) of the  $\hat{\theta}_{yp}$  is given by:

$$CV = \sqrt{\exp(s_y^2) - 1},$$

so that the variance of  $\hat{\theta}_{yp}$  is:

$$\text{VAR}[\hat{\theta}_{yp}] = \hat{\theta}_{yp}^2 \cdot CV^2 = \hat{\theta}_{yp}^2 \cdot [\exp(s_y^2) - 1].$$

To decompose these aggregated "rockfish" catch rates into species-specific estimates, the  $\hat{\theta}_{yp}$  were multiplied by the proportion the various species of *Sebastes* comprised in the landings at each port, i.e.,

$$\hat{\theta}_{yps} = \hat{\theta}_{yp} \cdot \hat{\pi}_{yps},$$

where  $\hat{\theta}_{yps}$  is the standardized catch rate of species **s** at port **p** during year **y** and  $\hat{\pi}_{yps}$  is the estimated proportion that rockfish species **s** comprises in the landings at port **p** during year **y**. That is,

$$\hat{\pi}_{yps} = \frac{L_{yps}}{\sum_s L_{yps}},$$

where  $L_{yps}$  is the landings of "rockfish" species **s** in year **y** at port **p**. These proportions were calculated from trawl landings statistics in the COM\_LANDS table contained in the Santa Cruz/Tiburon Laboratory's groundfish relational database.

Due to the manner in which the landings are expanded through merging of observer port-sampled data to the landing receipt data (Erwin *et al.* 1997; Pearson and Erwin 1997), it is not possible to obtain an exact variance estimate of the individual  $\hat{\pi}_{yps}$ . Therefore, to obtain a proxy estimate of the variance, when possible, a 3-year running variance of the proportion was calculated for all possible combinations of years, ports, and species. That is,

$$\text{VAR}[\hat{\pi}_{yps}] \cong \text{VAR}[\hat{\pi}_{(y-1)ps}, \hat{\pi}_{yps}, \hat{\pi}_{(y+1)ps}].$$

Because this variance estimate includes both within- and among-year sources of variability it will overestimate the true within-year error variance. The logarithm of the proxy variance estimate was then regressed against the logarithm of  $\hat{\pi}_{yps}$ , providing an equation that could be used to predict the variance of any particular proportion. The final error estimate of the individual  $\hat{\theta}_{yps}$ , being the product of the estimates of two random variables (Goodman 1960), was calculated as:

$$\text{VAR}[\hat{\theta}_{yps}] = \hat{\pi}_{yps}^2 \cdot \text{VAR}[\hat{\theta}_{yp}] + \hat{\theta}_{yp}^2 \cdot \text{VAR}[\hat{\pi}_{yps}] - \text{VAR}[\hat{\theta}_{yp}] \cdot \text{VAR}[\hat{\pi}_{yps}].$$

Catch rate estimates were then combined over ports, yielding species-specific time series of standardized catch rate. For this purpose, two weighting schemes were explored. First, the  $\hat{\theta}_{yps}$  were weighted by landings, i.e.,

$$w_{ps} = \frac{\sum_y L_{yps}}{\sum_p \sum_y L_{yps}}$$

where  $L_{yps}$  is as defined previously and  $w_{ps}$  is the weight used for species *s* at port *p*. In simple terms, the  $w_{ps}$  represent the proportion of the total historic trawl landings of a species that were produced at a particular port. The second weighting scheme used the number of CDF&G reporting blocks to weight the  $\hat{\theta}_{yps}$ . Namely,

$$w_p = \frac{N_p}{\sum_p N_p}$$

where  $N_p$  is the number of blocks entering into the ANOVA model at port *p*, i.e., those blocks with at least 500 records of positive rockfish catch with positive effort (see above). In this scheme each block was assigned a total weight of one. Consequently, if multiple ports accessed the same fishing grounds, the weight for that block was evenly divided and apportioned to the ports that utilized the area. Note that when the  $\hat{\theta}_{yps}$  are weighted by area, the weights are the same for all species ( $w_{ps} = w_p$ ).

In either case, the  $\hat{\theta}_{yps}$  and the  $\text{VAR}[\hat{\theta}_{yps}]$  were combined over ports as a weighted sum according to,

$$\hat{\theta}_{ys} = \sum_p w_{ps} \cdot \hat{\theta}_{yps}$$

and

$$\text{VAR}[\hat{\theta}_{ys}] = \sum_p w_{ps}^2 \cdot \text{VAR}[\hat{\theta}_{yps}].$$

## RESULTS

The analysis was stratified on a port-specific basis because the species composition of the trawl landings of rockfish varies markedly from one port to the next (Table 2). Note, for example, the relative importance of *Sebastes entomelas*, *S. crameri*, *S. pinniger*, and *S. flavidus* in the northern ports of Crescent City, Eureka and Fort Bragg, and the much reduced contribution of these species to trawl landings in the southern ports of Monterey and Morro Bay. Conversely, *S. rufus*, *S. diploproa*, *S. melanostomus* are much more significant species in the south than in the north. Although two of the rockfishes produce significant landings coastwide (*S. goodei* and *S. paucispinis*), their relative importance does vary from port to port.

### Nominal Widow Rockfish (*Sebastes entomelas*)

A separate and distinct analysis was conducted for *S. entomelas* because it is nominally identified in the trawl logbook data. As a consequence, there is no need to decompose an aggregated catch rate to the species-specific level. Rather, the data were analyzed on a port-specific basis using the previously described general linear ANOVA model with year, vessel, CDF&G reporting block, and month effects. However, due to the reduced number of records positive for nominal widow rockfish, the criterion for inclusion in the analysis was reduced from 500 records per reporting block to 100 records per block and from 200 observations per vessel to 100 observations per vessel. Back-transformation of the year effects from the model ( $\hat{Y}_{yp}$ ), with bias-correction, then yielded port-specific standardized time series of nominal widow rockfish catch rates, which in turn were combined as weighted averages using the previously described catch and area weighting schemes.

Detailed results pertaining to the five ANOVA models that were fitted to nominal widow rockfish data from Crescent City, Eureka, Fort Bragg, San Francisco, and Bodega Bay are presented in Appendix A. There were insufficient data available from the ports of Monterey and Morro Bay with which to conduct an analysis. Results presented in Table 3 and Figure 4 provide time series of standardized nominal widow rockfish catch rates using catch- and area-weighted approaches. In the figure note that each estimated value is bracketed by  $\pm 1.0$  standard error of the estimate.

### "Other" Rockfish

To estimate the standardized catch rates of *Sebastes* species other than widow rockfish, the reported catch of the three other nominal *Sebastes* taxa in the logbook data (i.e., "splitnose", "Pacific ocean perch", and "rockfish") were summed for each logbook observation, yielding the catch of non-widow rockfish in a tow ( $C_{ypvmbt}$ ). These aggregated catch statistics were then analyzed as outlined in the Methods section, after invoking the 500 records/reporting block and 200 records/vessel inclusion criteria.

Detailed results of the seven ANOVA models that were applied to the "other" rockfish catch data from all seven ports are presented in Appendix B. Results shown in Figure 5 reveal the port-specific trends in  $\hat{Y}_{yp}$  ( $\log_e [\hat{\Theta}_{yp}]$ ). With the exception of Bodega Bay and possibly



Crescent City, results from all localities show clear evidence of long-term declines in the catch rate of "other" rockfish.

The  $\hat{\Theta}_{yp}$  were decomposed into species-specific estimates using estimated non-widow rockfish trawl catch proportions ( $\hat{\pi}_{yps}$ ), and the variance of that statistic was approximated using a 3-year running variance (see Methods section). Results presented in Figure 6 show that  $\log_e[\text{VAR}(\hat{\pi}_{yps})]$  was linearly related to  $\log_e[\hat{\pi}_{yps}]$ , with a least-squares regression fit to the data yielding an intercept equal to -2.4292, a slope of 1.6932, and a residual variance of 1.9698. Those statistics were then used to predict  $\text{VAR}(\hat{\pi}_{yps})$  from the individual  $\hat{\pi}_{yps}$ .

Time series of standardized, decomposed catch rates of bocaccio, chilipepper, bank rockfish, canary rockfish, darkblotched rockfish, splitnose rockfish, yellowtail rockfish, and blackgill rockfish are presented in Tables 4-11 and Figures 7-14, respectively. Note that both catch- and area-weighted results are provided and that, in the figures, estimates are bracketed by  $\pm 1.0$  standard error.

## DISCUSSION

In this study two different weighting schemes were used to pool catch rate estimates over ports. It is perhaps not surprising that the catch-weighted statistics were consistently higher than their area-weighted counterparts (Figure 15), because, all other things being equal, higher catches should result from higher catch rates. However, in evaluating the relative merits of the two different approaches, it is important to consider the spatial distribution of the stock. If a stock of rockfish is distributed in a uniform manner along the coastline prior to exploitation, then weighting by area is most appropriate. In that case, catch rates estimated from ports that sample relatively large areas of coastline represent relatively larger segments of the population. As a consequence they should be weighted more heavily than ports representing smaller coastal areas. Alternatively, if the initial distribution of a stock is variable, as for example if there are spatially discrete high density pockets of fish, and after targeting these sites the fishery increasingly exploits lower density areas as stock biomass declines, then weighting CPUE statistics by catch seems more appropriate. That is because catch-weighting, which was based on observed port-specific cumulative removals from 1982-96, should be directly proportional to the cumulative effect on stock biomass. In either event, the two weighting schemes in some sense represent opposite ends of a hypothetical continuum, with reality lying somewhere in between.

The decomposition of the aggregated "rockfish" CPUE statistic into species-specific values entails the fundamental assumption that, on a port-by-port basis, these species represent a pure assemblage and that there have been no modifications in the targeting of individual species in the assemblage over time. Stated otherwise, when a vessel operator decides to conduct a trawl at any particular location, it is done with the expectation that a mix of species will be caught, with the species composition of the catch matching that of the port where he lands his catch. Obviously this is a simplifying assumption, because fishers are known to be able to target on several different rockfish assemblages, including widow rockfish, a slope rockfish group, and a shelf rockfish assemblage (Rogers and Pikitch 1992). It is significant, however, that in this study the catch rate of widow rockfish was estimated through the nominal assignment of landings in

the logbook data, obviating the need to decompose the widow rockfish results. Moreover, all the other rockfish in the Rogers and Pikitch (1992) study were considered members of either the slope rockfish group (*S. alutus*, *S. crameri*, *S. diploproa*, and *S. reedi*) or the shelf rockfish group (*S. flavidus*, *S. paucispinis*, *S. pinniger*, *S. ruberimmus*, and *S. zacentrus*). Thus, although the classification of all non-widow rockfishes into a single homogeneous assemblage is a simplification, it is also true that data exist to show that these species are members of perhaps no more than two broad assemblages.

Temporal alterations in the proportion of total trawl landings that each of the nine species studied here comprise, can be taken as *prima facie* evidence that a unit of trawling effort does not target all species equally. Such alterations are certainly evident (Figure 16), i.e., a diminishing importance of *S. paucispinis* and *S. entomelas* to total landings, with a concomitant increase in the relative importance of *S. goodei*, *S. rufus*, *S. melanostomus*, *S. diploproa*, and *S. crameri*. Changes of this kind could plausibly be attributed to differences in targeting or even species succession over the long-term. Alternatively, they could be due to species-specific differences in catchability coefficient (*q*), with the former rockfishes representing high catchability stocks and the latter species exhibiting reduced catchability. Under increasing exploitation, the proportion a low-catchability species constitutes in the total landings will increase over time, irrespective of targeting differences. Thus, temporal change in the mix of rockfish species is not a sufficient condition to conclude that these species are not a homogeneous assemblage.

At least two species appear to show long-term declines in catch rate, i.e., bocaccio and canary rockfish. In addition, the area-weighted statistic for bank rockfish also declined. Even so, the analysis performed here did not reveal any consistent overall pattern of decline among the nine species as a whole. This general result occurred in spite of the fact that port-specific year effects from most sites did fall (see Figure 5).

Any study of temporal change in logbook CPUE data must acknowledge the tendency for those data to be biased. Specifically, there is ample evidence from the literature to show that catch rate statistics obtained from commercial logbooks usually underestimate the rate of decline of exploited fish stocks. Particularly noteworthy in this regard is the finding of Walters and Maguire (1996) who, in reviewing the collapse of the northern cod fishery off the maritime provinces of Canada, conclude that "stock size overestimation is a major risk when commercial catch per effort is used as an abundance trend index" (see also Arreguín-Sánchez [1996]).

Given this tendency for logbook data to misrepresent the rate of decline of exploited stocks, we make two observations concerning the study by Fox and Starr (1996), who advocated the use of logbook data to document declines in stocks of west coast groundfish. First, their analysis is based on the trawl logbook data gathered by the Oregon Department of Fish and Game, an agency that routinely reconciles Oregon logbooks with port sample and landing receipt data to ensure the accuracy of the logbook information. This reconciliation step is not routinely conducted in California. Second, their conclusions are based on comparisons with results from the fishery-independent AFSC triennial shelf survey and were influenced to a great extent by results for non-rockfish species, including especially English sole (*Parophrys vetulus*).

In similar fashion, it is possible to directly compare the standardized logbook CPUE statistics developed here with results from the triennial shelf survey (Wilkins 1996). That comparison shows (Figure 17) that the estimated swept-area biomass for each of the eight shared species, when summed over the Monterey and Eureka INPFC areas, shows relatively poor correspondence with the standardized California logbook catch rate data. While it is true that rockfish abundance estimates from the triennial survey are far from precise, with coefficients of variation in the range of 30-70%, the triennial survey has been used routinely as the primary source of auxiliary trend information in the rockfish stock assessments that have been conducted for the Pacific Fishery Management Council (Ralston 1998).

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Table 1. Performance of four different ANOVA models of trawl logbook CPUE statistics with respect to realism (total model  $r^2$ ) and parsimony (total model degrees of freedom). Note that Model 1 incorporated year, month, vessel, and reporting block factors as simple main effects. In contrast, the three other models also included an interaction term, i.e., a month×block interaction (Model 2), a month×boat interaction (Model 3), or a block×boat interaction (Model 4).

| Model                           | Crescent<br>City | Eureka | Fort<br>Bragg | San<br>Francisco | Bodega<br>Bay | Monterey | Morro<br>Bay |
|---------------------------------|------------------|--------|---------------|------------------|---------------|----------|--------------|
| <b>Model <math>r^2</math></b>   |                  |        |               |                  |               |          |              |
| 1                               | 0.37             | 0.37   | 0.34          | 0.58             | 0.26          | 0.38     | 0.43         |
| 2                               | 0.44             | 0.39   | 0.35          | 0.60             | 0.29          | 0.41     | 0.46         |
| 3                               | 0.44             | 0.41   | 0.36          | 0.60             | 0.32          | 0.44     | 0.48         |
| 4                               | 0.42             | 0.48   | 0.40          | 0.62             | 0.28          | 0.43     | 0.52         |
| <b>Model Degrees of Freedom</b> |                  |        |               |                  |               |          |              |
| 1                               | 69               | 96     | 69            | 79               | 31            | 48       | 86           |
| 2                               | 212              | 325    | 245           | 310              | 75            | 136      | 317          |
| 3                               | 348              | 571    | 328           | 380              | 64            | 179      | 471          |
| 4                               | 371              | 763    | 430           | 512              | 43            | 136      | 620          |

Table 2. Percentage composition of the trawl catch of *Sebastes* spp. by port (1982-96 data).

| Species             | Crescent City | Eureka  | Fort Bragg | Bodega Bay | San Francisco | Monterey | Morro Bay |
|---------------------|---------------|---------|------------|------------|---------------|----------|-----------|
| <b>entomelas</b>    | 64.3106       | 47.0683 | 15.1625    | 40.0189    | 22.2155       | 12.5106  | 3.0694    |
| <b>goodei</b>       | 1.8666        | 6.5563  | 29.7171    | 17.4026    | 30.5987       | 35.5817  | 27.7834   |
| <b>paucispinis</b>  | 3.8660        | 6.6616  | 19.6208    | 20.4739    | 25.8238       | 24.9547  | 24.2887   |
| <b>rufus</b>        | 0.3200        | 1.2435  | 7.3365     | 8.8035     | 6.8875        | 6.8870   | 20.5194   |
| <b>crameri</b>      | 3.6493        | 15.9053 | 6.9491     | 3.0835     | 1.0655        | 2.1456   | 2.0213    |
| <b>diploproa</b>    | 2.0636        | 1.6981  | 3.3760     | 2.2513     | 6.1584        | 10.5629  | 7.0570    |
| <b>flavidus</b>     | 12.4207       | 3.6741  | 4.5165     | 1.7793     | 1.5751        | 0.7843   | 0.4466    |
| <b>pinniger</b>     | 4.6966        | 5.2267  | 6.6783     | 2.2963     | 1.2629        | 0.3688   | 0.1793    |
| <b>melanostomus</b> | 0.0875        | 0.3158  | 1.2113     | 1.3573     | 1.3495        | 2.4830   | 8.3315    |
| aurora              | 0.3159        | 0.3896  | 0.3544     | 0.1591     | 0.4755        | 1.0066   | 3.3313    |
| chlorostictus       | 0.1756        | 0.4967  | 1.7010     | 0.6141     | 0.7469        | 0.4572   | 0.2406    |
| zacentrus           | 0.6534        | 2.9656  | 0.2239     | 0.0701     | 0.0570        | 0.0285   | 0.0092    |
| melanops            | 1.8856        | 1.9277  | 0.0181     | 0.0012     | 0.0040        | 0.0019   | 0.0056    |
| alutus              | 0.8570        | 2.0346  | 0.1539     | 0.0288     | 0.0070        | 0.0067   | 0.0169    |
| babcocki            | 0.8843        | 0.6815  | 0.4515     | 0.3222     | 0.1548        | 0.0776   | 0.3504    |
| elongatus           | 0.6338        | 0.7570  | 0.1593     | 0.4014     | 0.1208        | 0.3010   | 0.0700    |
| ruberrimus          | 0.5735        | 0.2137  | 1.1361     | 0.2273     | 0.1312        | 0.0393   | 0.0773    |
| saxicola            | 0.2969        | 1.0136  | 0.5376     | 0.1074     | 0.1102        | 0.1764   | 0.0180    |
| miniatus            | 0.0352        | 0.2065  | 0.0651     | 0.0531     | 0.0508        | 0.2883   | 1.0321    |
| levis               | 0.0088        | 0.0012  | 0.2365     | 0.2053     | 0.4751        | 0.3524   | 0.3327    |
| auriculatus         | 0.1654        | 0.0152  | 0.0454     | 0.2173     | 0.2157        | 0.0244   | 0.1831    |
| jordani             | 0.0245        | 0.0325  | 0.1202     | 0.0565     | 0.1018        | 0.4179   | 0.0206    |
| ovalis              | 0.0000        | 0.0000  | 0.0015     | 0.0016     | 0.0258        | 0.0790   | 0.4376    |
| proriger            | 0.0301        | 0.4116  | 0.0212     | 0.0001     | 0.0006        | 0.0014   | 0.0000    |
| rosenblatti         | 0.0230        | 0.0254  | 0.0022     | 0.0117     | 0.1579        | 0.0036   | 0.0609    |
| helvomaculatus      | 0.0411        | 0.1973  | 0.0129     | 0.0004     | 0.0005        | 0.0119   | 0.0007    |
| nebulosus           | 0.0034        | 0.0024  | 0.0005     | 0.0003     | 0.0019        | 0.2246   | 0.0000    |
| reedi               | 0.0000        | 0.1624  | 0.0414     | 0.0000     | 0.0000        | 0.0000   | 0.0000    |
| rubrivinctus        | 0.0054        | 0.0005  | 0.0252     | 0.0141     | 0.0686        | 0.0212   | 0.0394    |
| brevispinis         | 0.0255        | 0.0226  | 0.0312     | 0.0163     | 0.0358        | 0.0000   | 0.0000    |
| serranoides         | 0.0000        | 0.0000  | 0.0000     | 0.0099     | 0.0000        | 0.1135   | 0.0007    |
| gilli               | 0.0000        | 0.0148  | 0.0000     | 0.0000     | 0.0796        | 0.0001   | 0.0045    |
| aleutianus          | 0.0146        | 0.0611  | 0.0126     | 0.0012     | 0.0000        | 0.0002   | 0.0000    |
| rosaceus            | 0.0253        | 0.0046  | 0.0034     | 0.0091     | 0.0074        | 0.0012   | 0.0251    |
| borealis            | 0.0356        | 0.0000  | 0.0186     | 0.0000     | 0.0000        | 0.0000   | 0.0000    |
| caurinus            | 0.0018        | 0.0020  | 0.0054     | 0.0012     | 0.0023        | 0.0048   | 0.0230    |
| eos                 | 0.0000        | 0.0002  | 0.0000     | 0.0000     | 0.0060        | 0.0170   | 0.0138    |
| carinatus           | 0.0000        | 0.0000  | 0.0005     | 0.0013     | 0.0002        | 0.0324   | 0.0000    |
| mystinus            | 0.0008        | 0.0032  | 0.0165     | 0.0000     | 0.0024        | 0.0072   | 0.0024    |
| ensifer             | 0.0000        | 0.0000  | 0.0284     | 0.0000     | 0.0001        | 0.0000   | 0.0000    |
| wilsoni             | 0.0000        | 0.0007  | 0.0000     | 0.0000     | 0.0000        | 0.0114   | 0.0052    |
| phillipsi           | 0.0000        | 0.0000  | 0.0000     | 0.0020     | 0.0105        | 0.0007   | 0.0000    |
| simulator           | 0.0027        | 0.0000  | 0.0076     | 0.0001     | 0.0018        | 0.0000   | 0.0000    |
| chrysomelas         | 0.0000        | 0.0000  | 0.0000     | 0.0000     | 0.0088        | 0.0000   | 0.0016    |
| nigrocinctus        | 0.0000        | 0.0000  | 0.0000     | 0.0000     | 0.0000        | 0.0070   | 0.0000    |
| hopkinsi            | 0.0000        | 0.0012  | 0.0000     | 0.0002     | 0.0021        | 0.0026   | 0.0000    |
| serriceps           | 0.0000        | 0.0000  | 0.0000     | 0.0000     | 0.0000        | 0.0033   | 0.0000    |
| rastrelliger        | 0.0000        | 0.0022  | 0.0000     | 0.0000     | 0.0000        | 0.0000   | 0.0006    |
| rufinanus           | 0.0000        | 0.0026  | 0.0000     | 0.0000     | 0.0000        | 0.0000   | 0.0000    |
| maliger             | 0.0000        | 0.0002  | 0.0000     | 0.0000     | 0.0000        | 0.0000   | 0.0000    |
| atrovirens          | 0.0000        | 0.0000  | 0.0000     | 0.0000     | 0.0000        | 0.0000   | 0.0001    |
| umbrosus            | 0.0000        | 0.0000  | 0.0000     | 0.0000     | 0.0000        | 0.0001   | 0.0000    |
| vexillaris          | 0.0000        | 0.0000  | 0.0000     | 0.0000     | 0.0000        | 0.0001   | 0.0000    |

Table 3. Standardized catch rates of nominal widow rockfish (*Sebastes entomelas*) from the California trawl logbook database.

| Year | Catch Weighted |       | Area Weighed |       |
|------|----------------|-------|--------------|-------|
|      | lbs/hr         | SE    | lbs/hr       | SE    |
| 82   | 4,898          | 2,043 | 2,558        | 779   |
| 83   | 1,137          | 302   | 476          | 91    |
| 84   | 976            | 376   | 646          | 221   |
| 85   | 732            | 191   | 355          | 60    |
| 86   | 1,488          | 506   | 651          | 155   |
| 87   | 2,771          | 1,185 | 1,039        | 357   |
| 88   | 2,336          | 1,310 | 1,008        | 473   |
| 89   | 455            | 177   | 332          | 70    |
| 90   | 843            | 426   | 445          | 129   |
| 91   | 188            | 135   | 140          | 41    |
| 92   | 3,383          | 4,299 | 1,101        | 1,282 |
| 93   | 508            | 164   | 225          | 50    |
| 94   | 1,816          | 1,188 | 597          | 354   |
| 95   | 3,063          | 1,082 | 1,049        | 346   |
| 96   | 1,280          | 814   | 433          | 243   |

Table 4. Standardized catch rates of "inferred" bocaccio (*Sebastes paucispinis*) from the California trawl logbook database.

| Year | Catch Weighted |      | Area Weighed |      |
|------|----------------|------|--------------|------|
|      | lbs/hr         | SE   | lbs/hr       | SE   |
| 82   | 190.1          | 60.7 | 166.4        | 49.5 |
| 83   | 65.9           | 21.2 | 73.1         | 21.5 |
| 84   | 148.3          | 49.9 | 72.3         | 18.3 |
| 85   | 76.3           | 32.1 | 30.7         | 7.7  |
| 86   | 55.0           | 17.2 | 31.2         | 8.8  |
| 87   | 77.8           | 23.8 | 44.4         | 11.7 |
| 88   | 159.3          | 67.5 | 51.6         | 13.7 |
| 89   | 43.3           | 14.7 | 35.8         | 11.0 |
| 90   | 37.5           | 11.8 | 37.1         | 11.2 |
| 91   | 54.1           | 20.0 | 26.9         | 7.7  |
| 92   | 50.4           | 22.3 | 20.4         | 5.9  |
| 93   | 52.1           | 21.9 | 19.7         | 5.2  |
| 94   | 80.3           | 40.1 | 23.9         | 7.6  |
| 95   | 40.7           | 18.5 | 15.2         | 4.5  |
| 96   | 24.0           | 10.9 | 8.7          | 2.8  |



Table 5. Standardized catch rates of "inferred" chilipepper (*Sebastes goodei*) from the California trawl logbook database.

| Year | Catch Weighted |      | Area Weighed |      |
|------|----------------|------|--------------|------|
|      | lbs/hr         | SE   | lbs/hr       | SE   |
| 82   | 132.3          | 49.8 | 95.3         | 32.6 |
| 83   | 34.9           | 13.1 | 34.7         | 11.4 |
| 84   | 89.9           | 27.0 | 56.8         | 16.4 |
| 85   | 100.9          | 31.3 | 50.5         | 13.1 |
| 86   | 56.5           | 17.7 | 35.4         | 10.0 |
| 87   | 102.5          | 30.3 | 54.5         | 14.2 |
| 88   | 174.7          | 59.2 | 76.6         | 18.6 |
| 89   | 92.2           | 28.4 | 66.3         | 18.0 |
| 90   | 102.9          | 31.8 | 73.5         | 20.0 |
| 91   | 131.0          | 41.3 | 70.0         | 17.0 |
| 92   | 120.4          | 45.8 | 44.6         | 11.5 |
| 93   | 69.1           | 19.0 | 44.8         | 11.0 |
| 94   | 102.5          | 32.6 | 51.2         | 13.6 |
| 95   | 119.3          | 34.5 | 59.3         | 15.6 |
| 96   | 95.4           | 28.1 | 44.6         | 11.7 |

Table 6. Standardized catch rates of "inferred" bank rockfish (*Sebastes rufus*) from the California trawl logbook database.

| Year | Catch Weighted |      | Area Weighed |      |
|------|----------------|------|--------------|------|
|      | lbs/hr         | SE   | lbs/hr       | SE   |
| 82   | 38.2           | 16.4 | 27.9         | 11.8 |
| 83   | 35.9           | 15.8 | 28.8         | 12.2 |
| 84   | 96.3           | 40.4 | 33.6         | 10.6 |
| 85   | 90.1           | 46.3 | 19.0         | 6.2  |
| 86   | 64.1           | 26.5 | 39.4         | 18.3 |
| 87   | 55.9           | 24.3 | 19.7         | 6.9  |
| 88   | 19.6           | 7.8  | 15.9         | 5.8  |
| 89   | 18.5           | 8.8  | 14.8         | 6.5  |
| 90   | 14.3           | 6.3  | 12.0         | 5.1  |
| 91   | 94.2           | 49.1 | 20.4         | 7.2  |
| 92   | 30.6           | 15.7 | 11.4         | 3.3  |
| 93   | 18.6           | 10.4 | 5.2          | 1.8  |
| 94   | 101.9          | 55.6 | 17.2         | 6.5  |
| 95   | 43.3           | 21.0 | 14.2         | 4.5  |
| 96   | 20.6           | 6.7  | 13.9         | 4.4  |

Table 7. Standardized catch rates of "inferred" canary rockfish (*Sebastes pinniger*) from the California trawl logbook database.

| Year | Catch Weighted |      | Area Weighed |      |
|------|----------------|------|--------------|------|
|      | lbs/hr         | SE   | lbs/hr       | SE   |
| 82   | 96.7           | 56.2 | 49.0         | 26.8 |
| 83   | 21.1           | 10.2 | 11.6         | 5.2  |
| 84   | 15.6           | 6.7  | 7.0          | 2.7  |
| 85   | 20.1           | 9.0  | 8.0          | 2.7  |
| 86   | 9.4            | 4.0  | 4.9          | 2.1  |
| 87   | 8.8            | 4.6  | 4.2          | 2.2  |
| 88   | 18.7           | 9.2  | 6.4          | 2.8  |
| 89   | 13.4           | 6.7  | 7.3          | 3.4  |
| 90   | 20.4           | 10.5 | 11.0         | 5.1  |
| 91   | 8.0            | 3.6  | 4.6          | 1.9  |
| 92   | 15.7           | 7.6  | 9.1          | 4.4  |
| 93   | 4.3            | 2.2  | 3.2          | 1.3  |
| 94   | 10.5           | 4.6  | 4.9          | 1.7  |
| 95   | 6.2            | 2.6  | 3.9          | 1.4  |
| 96   | 5.7            | 2.2  | 4.1          | 1.4  |

Table 8. Standardized catch rates of "inferred" darkblotched rockfish (*Sebastes crameri*) from the California trawl logbook database.

| Year | Catch Weighted |      | Area Weighed |      |
|------|----------------|------|--------------|------|
|      | lbs/hr         | SE   | lbs/hr       | SE   |
| 82   | 16.7           | 9.7  | 9.0          | 4.1  |
| 83   | 15.6           | 7.7  | 10.9         | 4.7  |
| 84   | 21.8           | 8.6  | 14.8         | 5.5  |
| 85   | 42.8           | 15.9 | 20.7         | 6.7  |
| 86   | 20.0           | 8.4  | 11.1         | 3.6  |
| 87   | 71.8           | 31.4 | 25.8         | 10.9 |
| 88   | 46.3           | 21.2 | 20.8         | 8.1  |
| 89   | 30.9           | 15.7 | 13.6         | 5.9  |
| 90   | 14.1           | 6.4  | 11.4         | 4.0  |
| 91   | 22.0           | 8.9  | 13.1         | 4.1  |
| 92   | 14.9           | 6.2  | 9.1          | 3.4  |
| 93   | 25.2           | 9.6  | 12.8         | 3.9  |
| 94   | 19.9           | 7.7  | 9.9          | 3.8  |
| 95   | 24.2           | 11.4 | 11.3         | 4.5  |
| 96   | 20.8           | 10.1 | 9.6          | 3.7  |

Table 9. Standardized catch rates of "inferred" splitnose rockfish (*Sebastes diploproa*) from the California trawl logbook database.

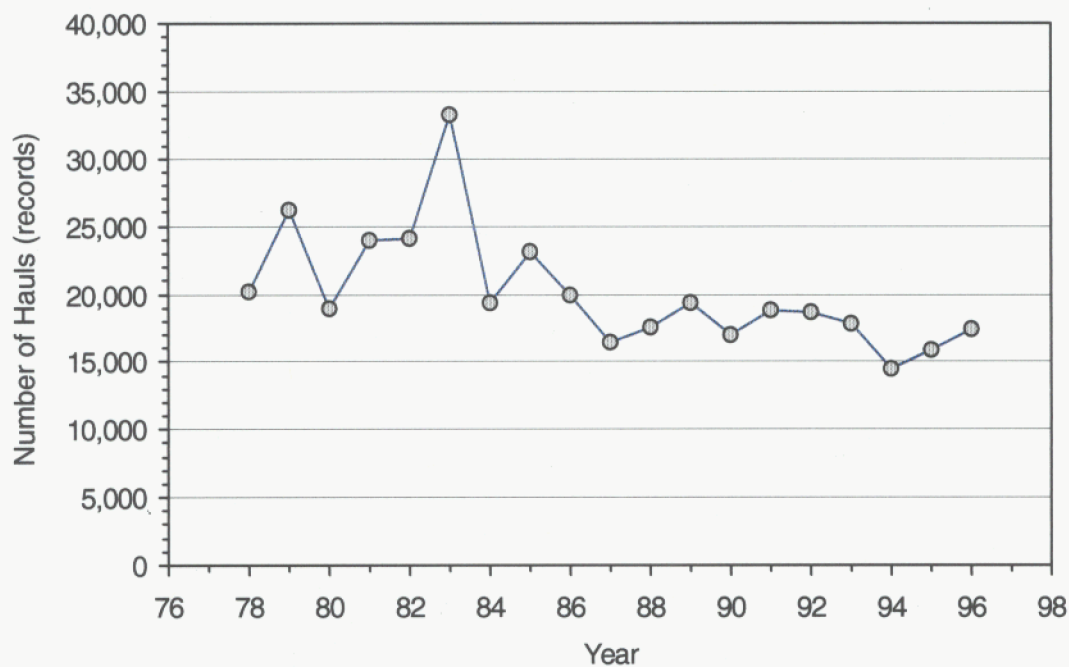
| Year | Catch Weighted |      | Area Weighed |     |
|------|----------------|------|--------------|-----|
|      | lbs/hr         | SE   | lbs/hr       | SE  |
| 82   | 17.8           | 8.6  | 12.9         | 5.4 |
| 83   | 7.4            | 3.2  | 8.7          | 3.6 |
| 84   | 28.1           | 12.1 | 16.3         | 5.2 |
| 85   | 32.4           | 11.9 | 19.0         | 5.4 |
| 86   | 21.1           | 9.5  | 11.7         | 3.7 |
| 87   | 3.6            | 1.4  | 3.7          | 1.4 |
| 88   | 18.6           | 8.1  | 10.8         | 3.7 |
| 89   | 10.5           | 4.8  | 8.0          | 2.9 |
| 90   | 20.7           | 10.6 | 10.7         | 4.2 |
| 91   | 26.8           | 11.9 | 14.6         | 5.1 |
| 92   | 15.5           | 5.8  | 9.8          | 2.8 |
| 93   | 34.0           | 12.6 | 15.1         | 4.4 |
| 94   | 16.1           | 5.5  | 11.6         | 3.7 |
| 95   | 21.2           | 9.1  | 11.2         | 3.6 |
| 96   | 23.2           | 11.0 | 11.4         | 3.9 |

Table 10. Standardized catch rates of "inferred" yellowtail rockfish (*Sebastes flavidus*) from the California trawl logbook database.

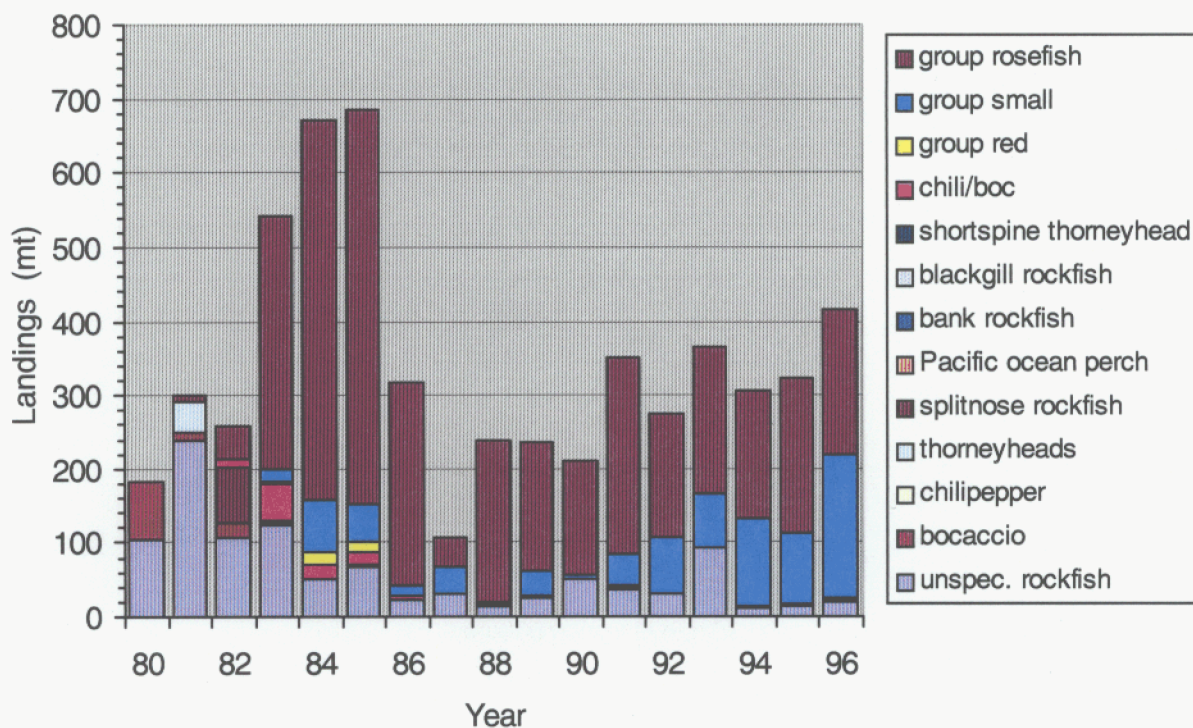
| Year | Catch Weighted |      | Area Weighed |      |
|------|----------------|------|--------------|------|
|      | lbs/hr         | SE   | lbs/hr       | SE   |
| 82   | 27.6           | 16.2 | 21.2         | 12.0 |
| 83   | 13.8           | 5.3  | 8.9          | 3.3  |
| 84   | 16.1           | 5.5  | 8.9          | 3.2  |
| 85   | 6.3            | 2.7  | 3.4          | 1.2  |
| 86   | 19.4           | 9.2  | 7.8          | 3.2  |
| 87   | 28.3           | 13.5 | 10.4         | 4.7  |
| 88   | 6.2            | 3.3  | 3.7          | 2.0  |
| 89   | 33.4           | 12.5 | 21.0         | 7.9  |
| 90   | 22.5           | 9.1  | 11.8         | 4.2  |
| 91   | 21.4           | 9.1  | 10.0         | 3.8  |
| 92   | 18.6           | 6.6  | 9.9          | 3.1  |
| 93   | 7.9            | 3.3  | 4.9          | 1.8  |
| 94   | 10.2           | 4.0  | 5.5          | 2.0  |
| 95   | 10.7           | 4.4  | 5.0          | 1.7  |
| 96   | 11.2           | 4.2  | 5.5          | 1.9  |

Table 11. Standardized catch rates of "inferred" blackgill rockfish (*Sebastes melanostomus*) from the California trawl logbook database.

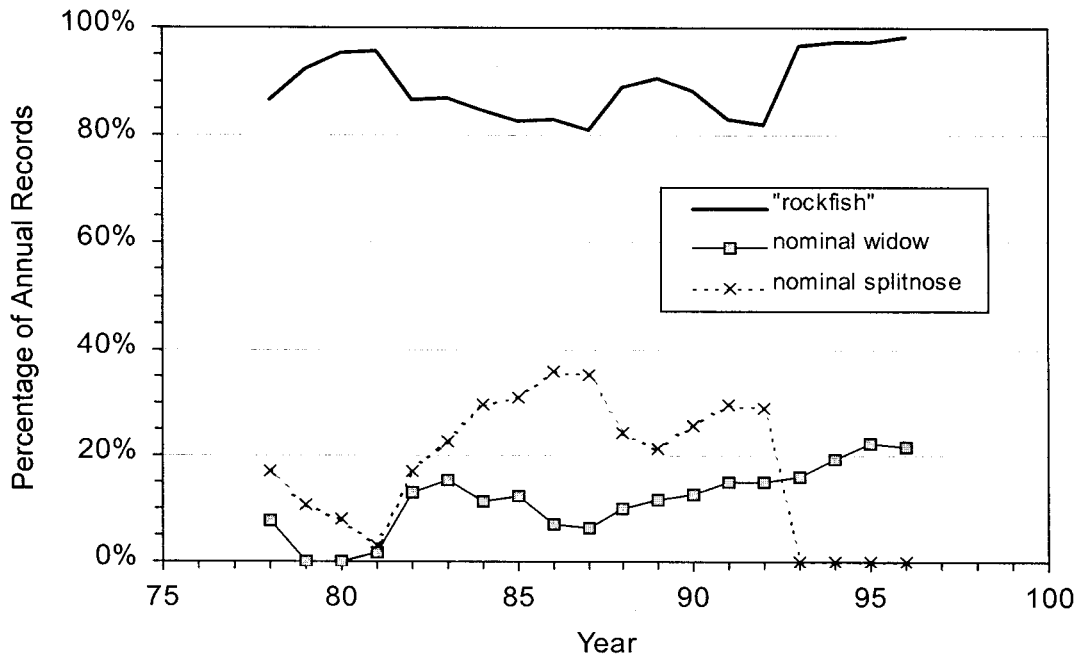
| Year | Catch Weighted |      | Area Weighed |     |
|------|----------------|------|--------------|-----|
|      | lbs/hr         | SE   | lbs/hr       | SE  |
| 82   | 4.1            | 2.6  | 3.0          | 1.8 |
| 83   | 9.0            | 5.7  | 5.9          | 3.2 |
| 84   | 3.2            | 1.8  | 1.5          | 0.8 |
| 85   | 6.8            | 3.2  | 4.3          | 1.9 |
| 86   | 21.4           | 10.9 | 10.0         | 5.2 |
| 87   | 8.9            | 4.9  | 3.0          | 1.3 |
| 88   | 20.9           | 10.7 | 10.7         | 5.1 |
| 89   | 4.3            | 2.7  | 2.4          | 1.3 |
| 90   | 6.9            | 3.4  | 5.5          | 2.3 |
| 91   | 12.9           | 5.9  | 6.1          | 2.7 |
| 92   | 16.4           | 7.1  | 7.6          | 3.3 |
| 93   | 9.8            | 5.1  | 5.1          | 2.5 |
| 94   | 8.4            | 4.7  | 4.3          | 2.3 |
| 95   | 13.8           | 6.2  | 5.4          | 2.3 |
| 96   | 11.9           | 5.6  | 6.3          | 2.7 |



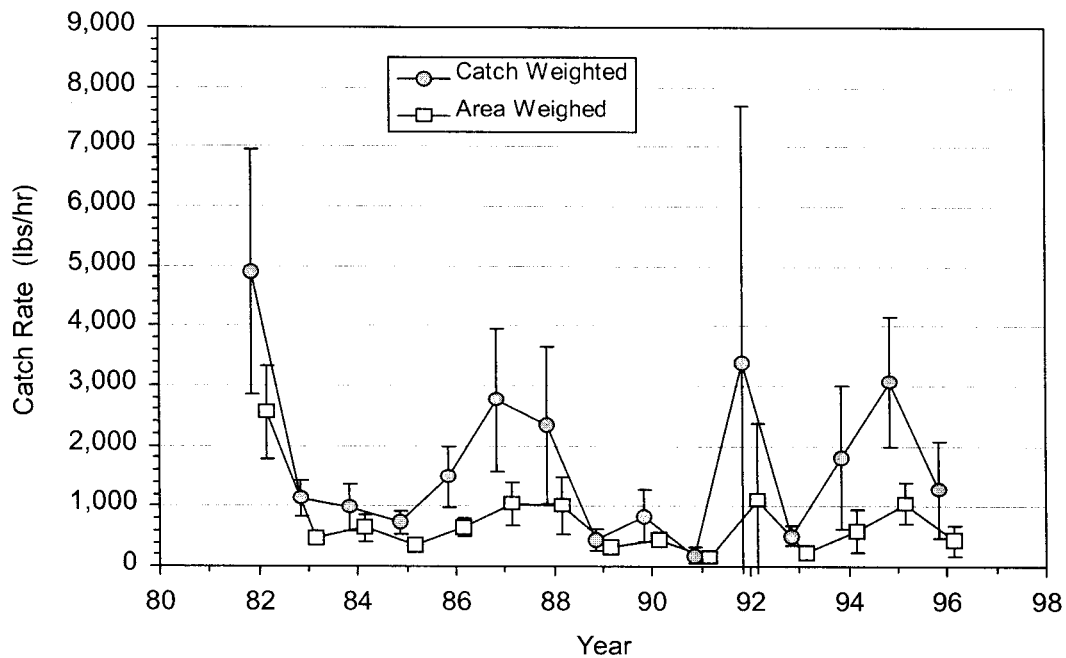
**Figure 1.** Extent and availability of the CDF&G trawl logbook data.



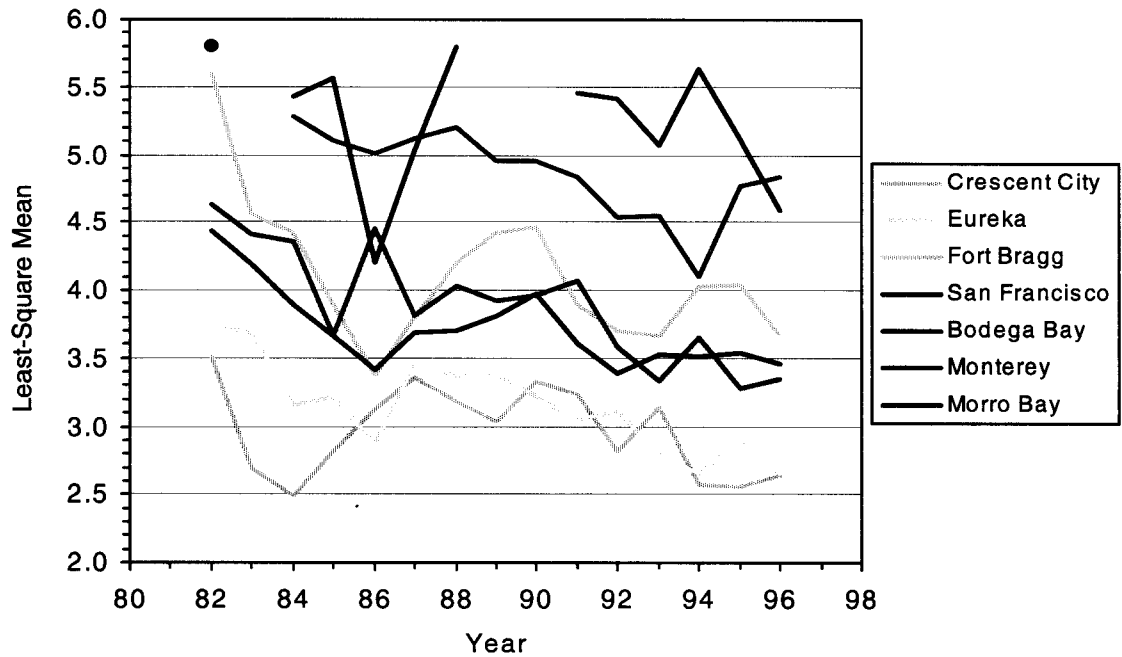
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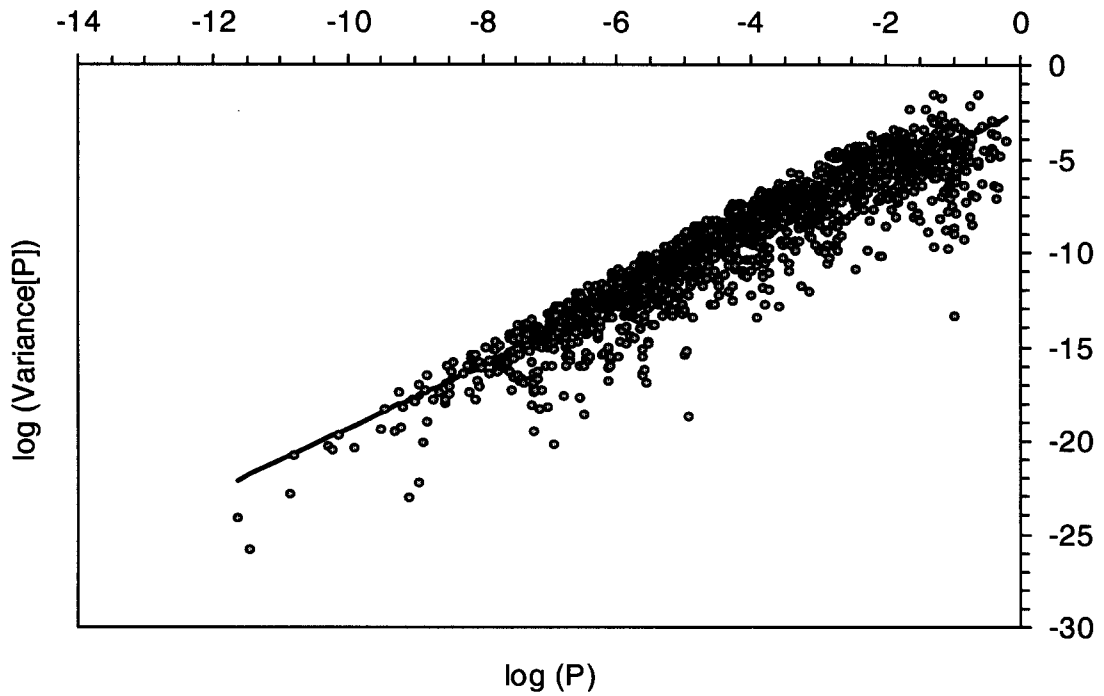
**Figure 3.** Relative frequency of occurrence of different *Sebastes* taxa over time in the logbook database. Note that nominal Pacific ocean perch is not displayed due to its consistent low representation.



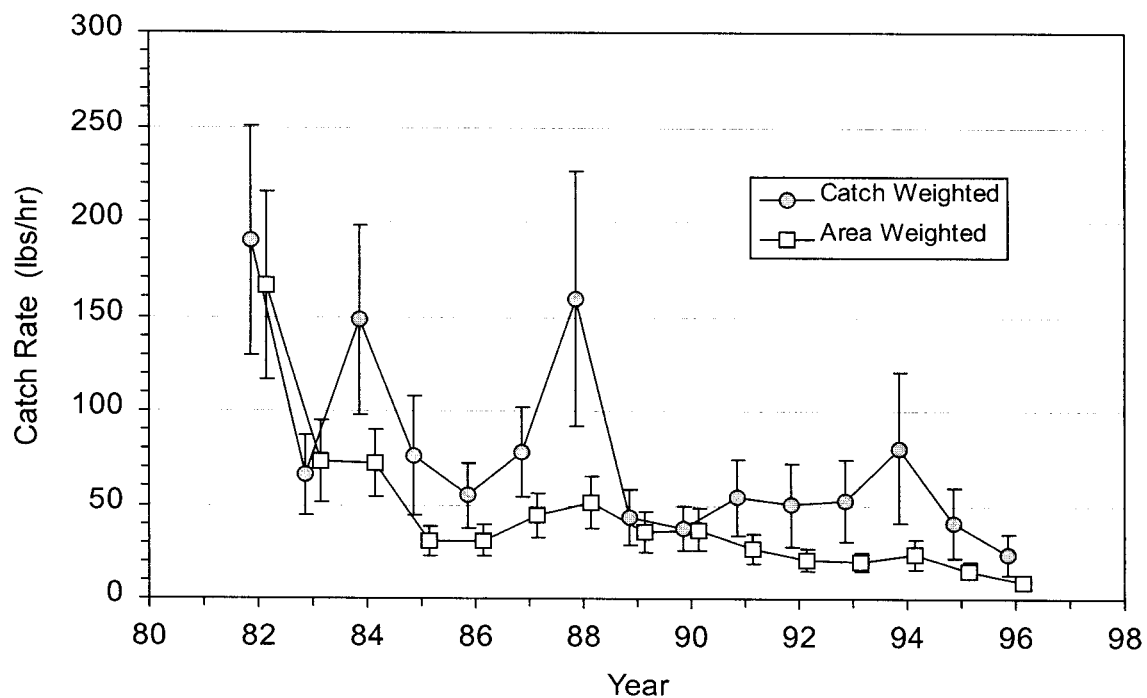
**Figure 4.** Trend in the catch rate of nominal widow rockfish from the commercial trawl logbook data. Error bars represent one standard error of the estimate.



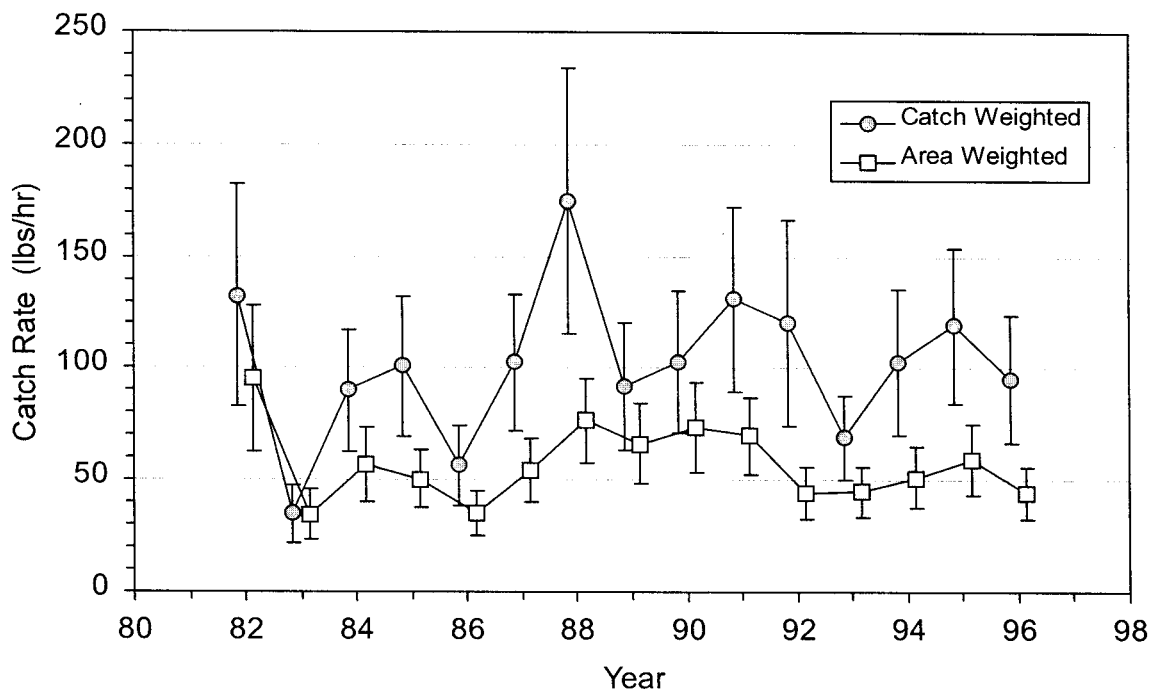
**Figure 5.** Port-specific year effects ( $\hat{Y}_{yp}$ ) on the catch rate of "other" (i.e., non-widow) rockfish.



**Figure 6.** Relationship between the logarithm of the approximate variance of the proportion  $\hat{\pi}_{yps}$  and the logarithm of  $\hat{\pi}_{yps}$ .

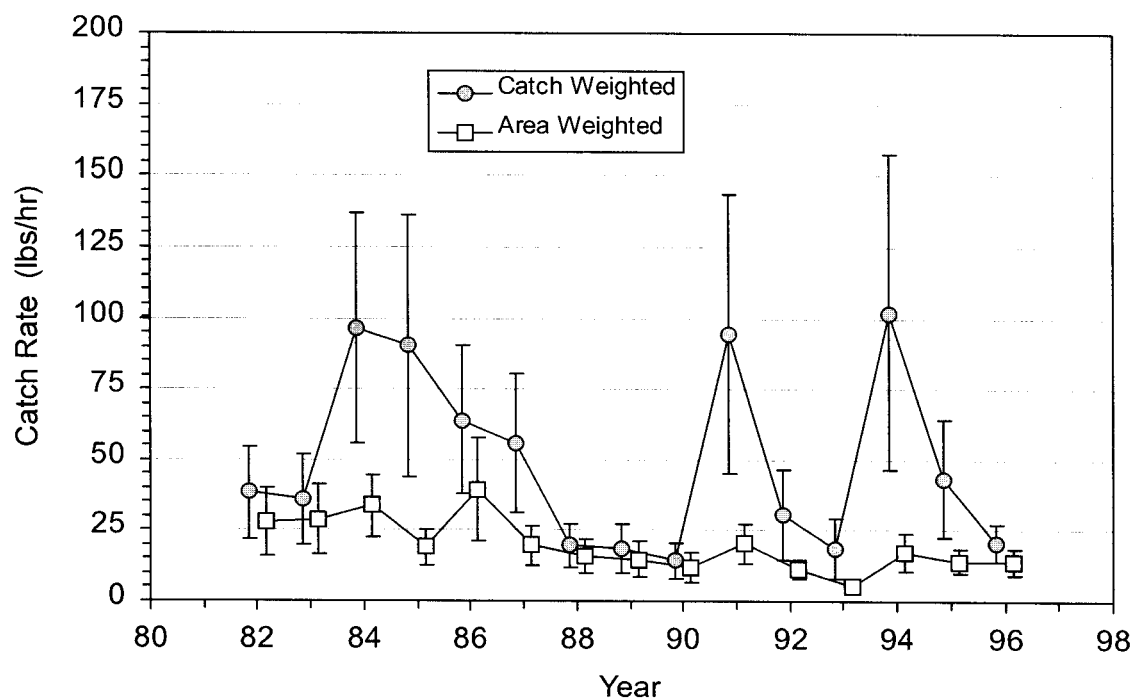


**Figure 7.** Time series of standardized catch rates for *Sebastes paucispinis* (bocaccio).

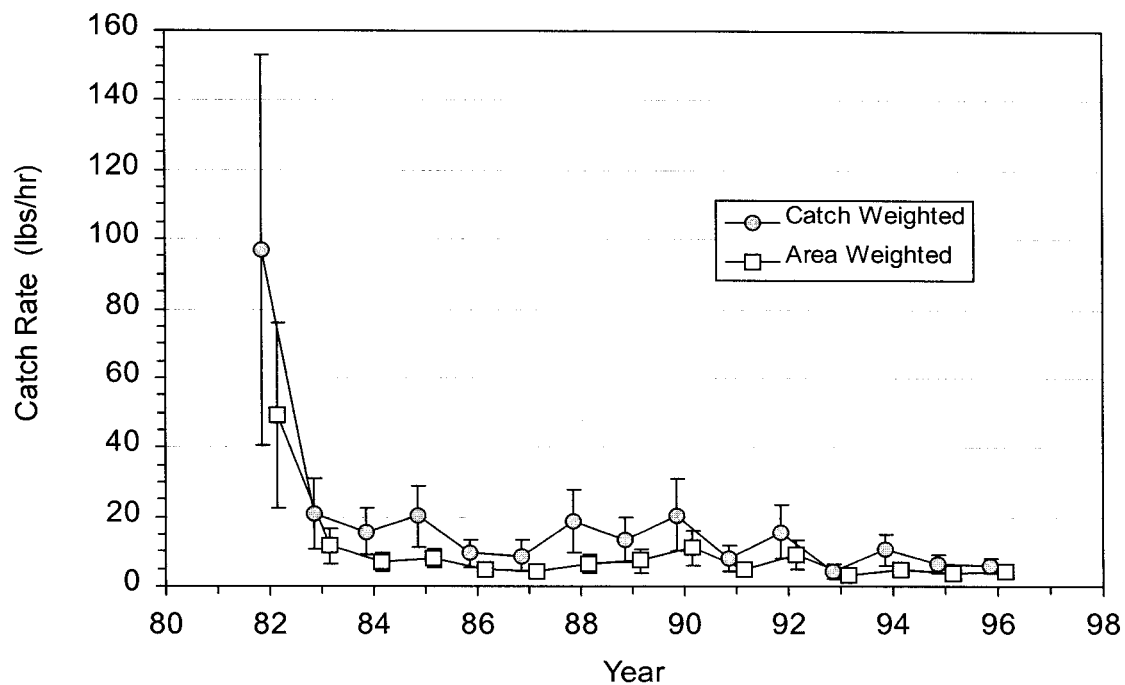


**Figure 8.** Time series of standardized catch rates for *Sebastes goodei* (chilipepper).

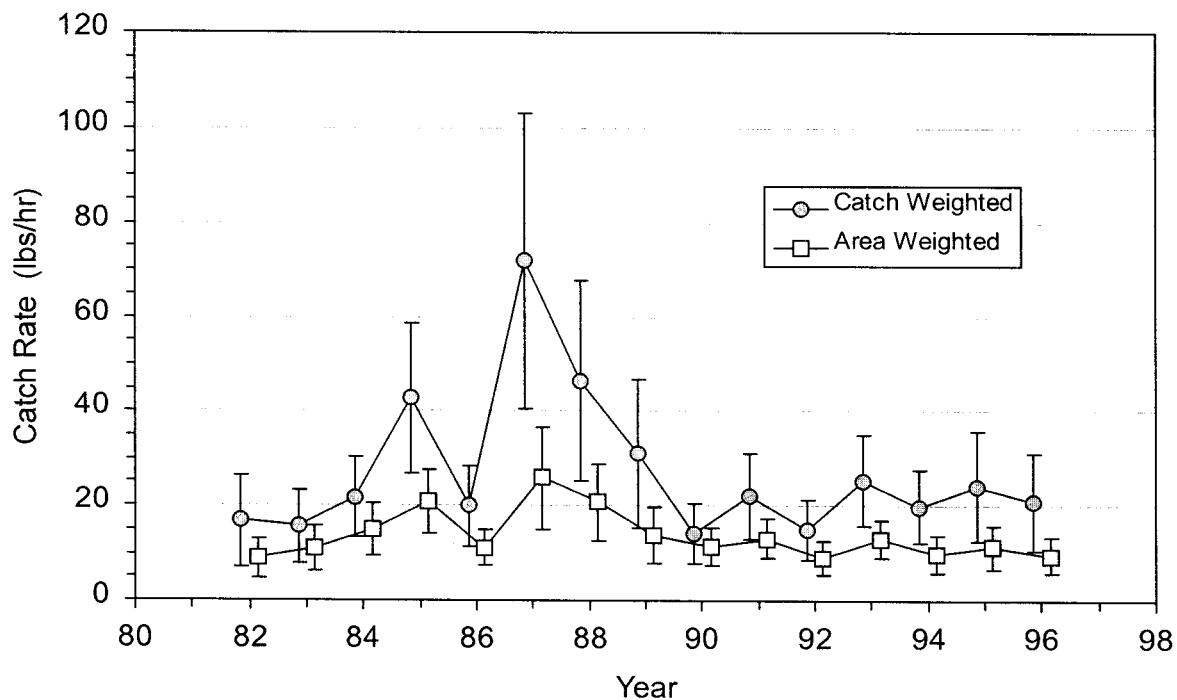




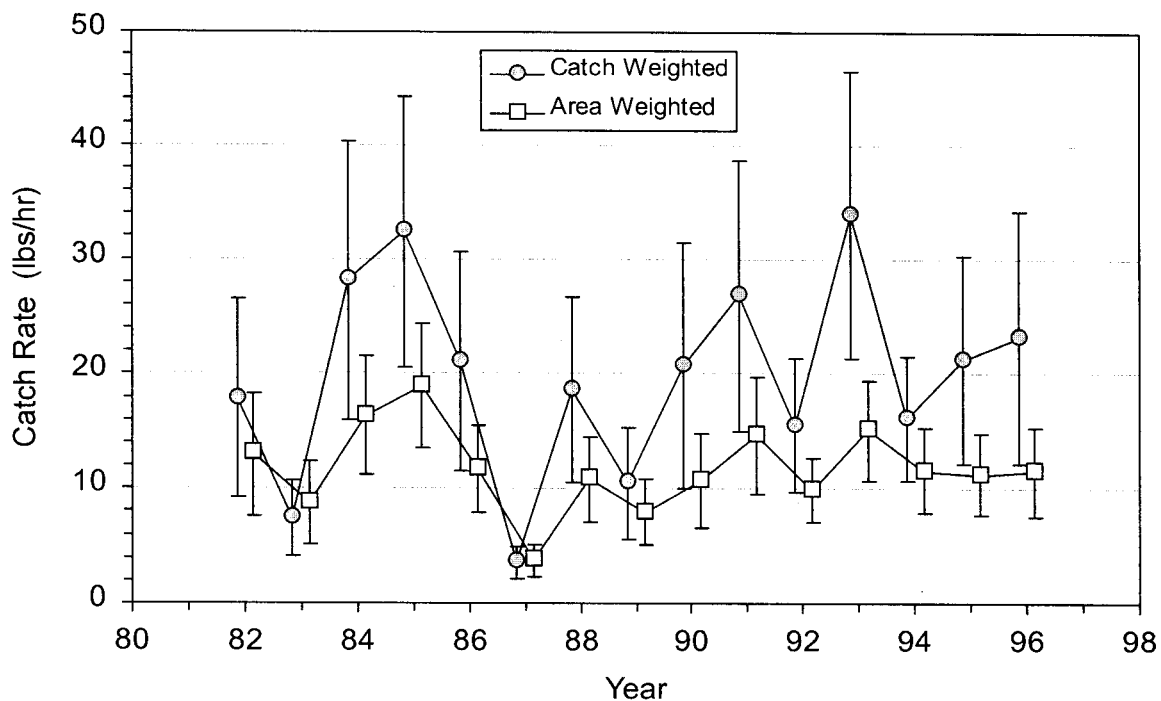
**Figure 9.** Time series of standardized catch rates for *Sebastes rufus* (bank rockfish).



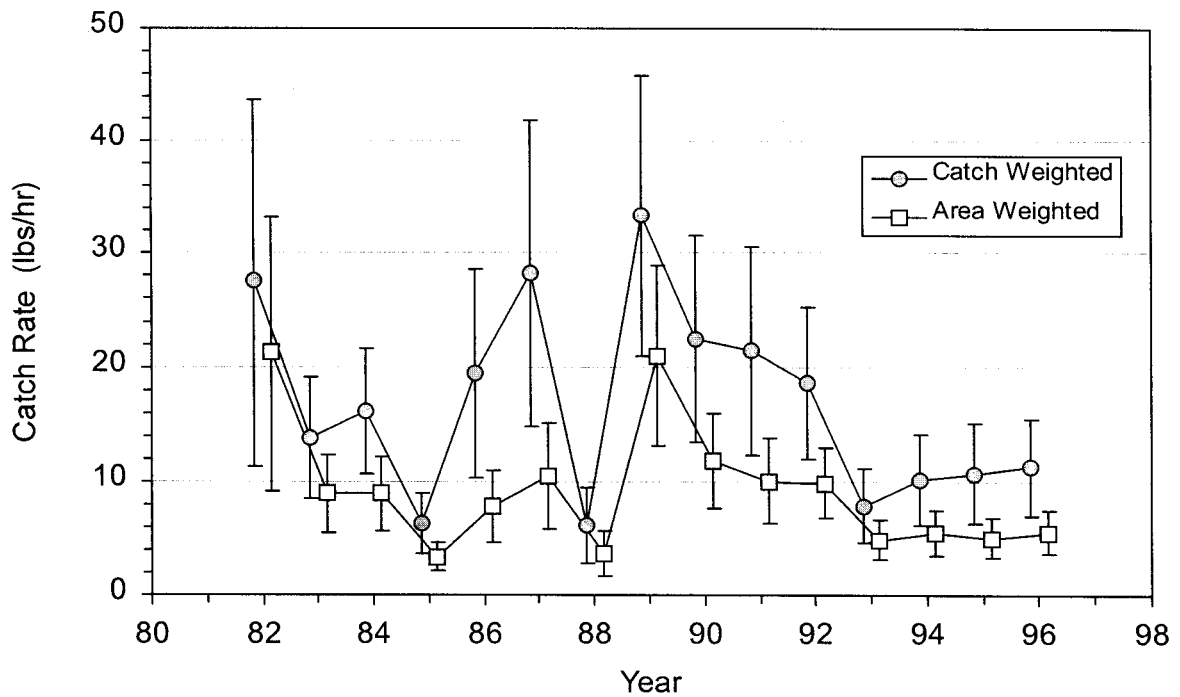
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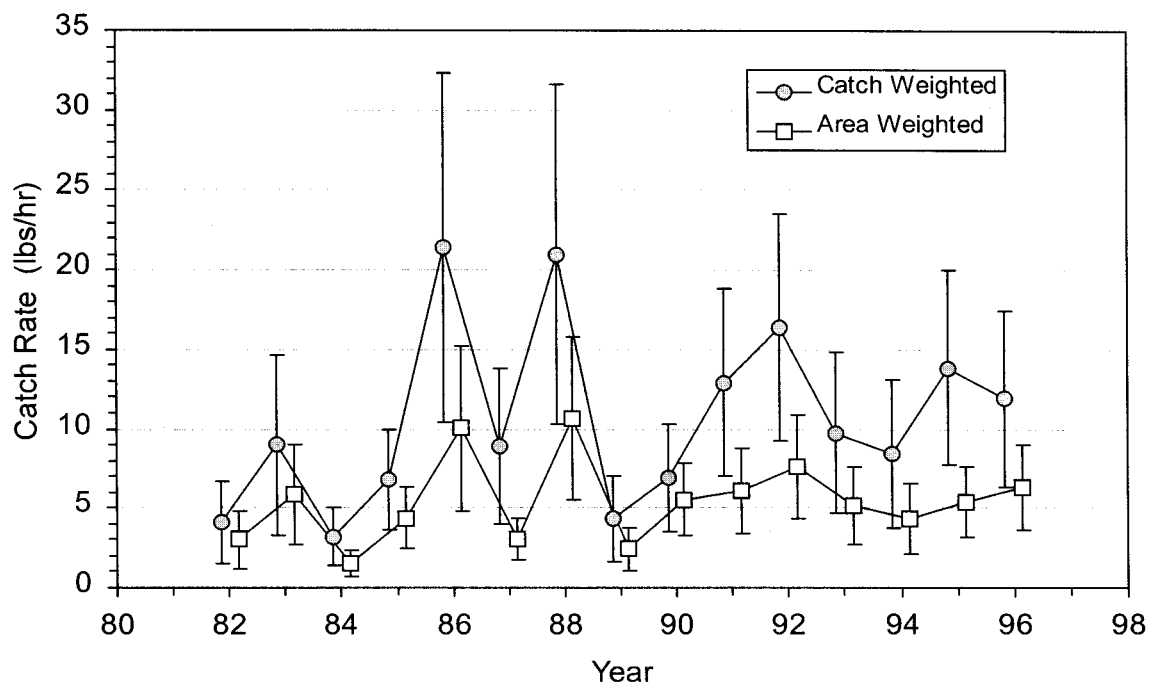
**Figure 11.** Time series of standardized catch rate for *Sebastes crameri* (darkblotched rockfish).



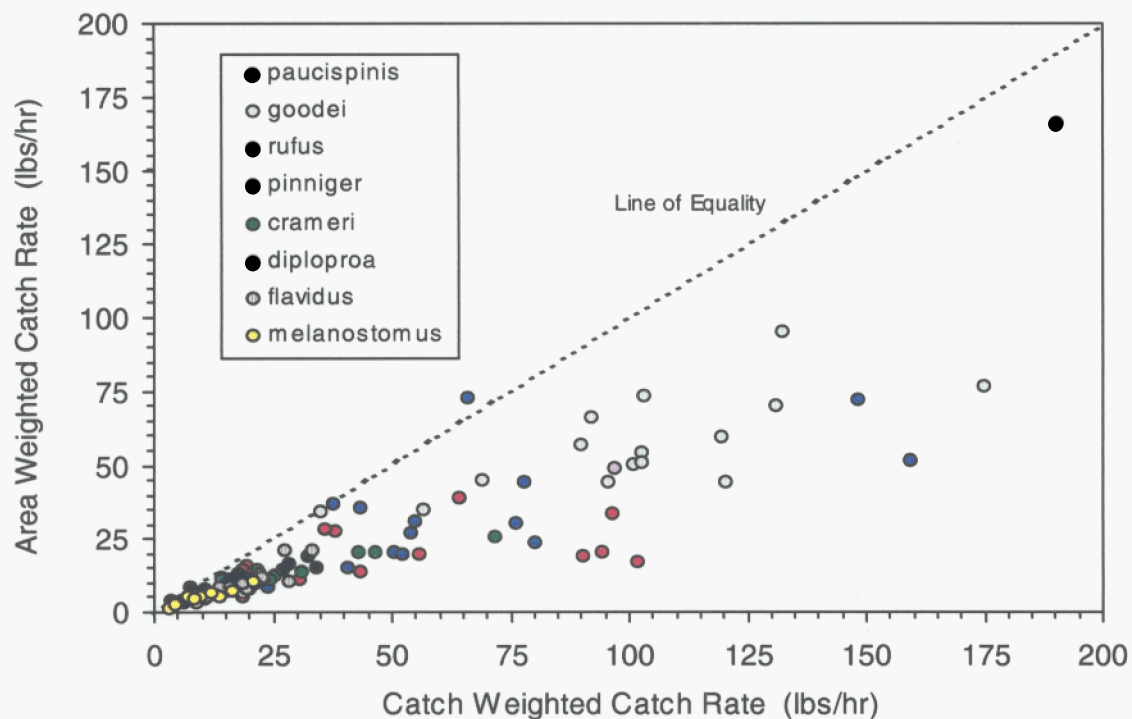
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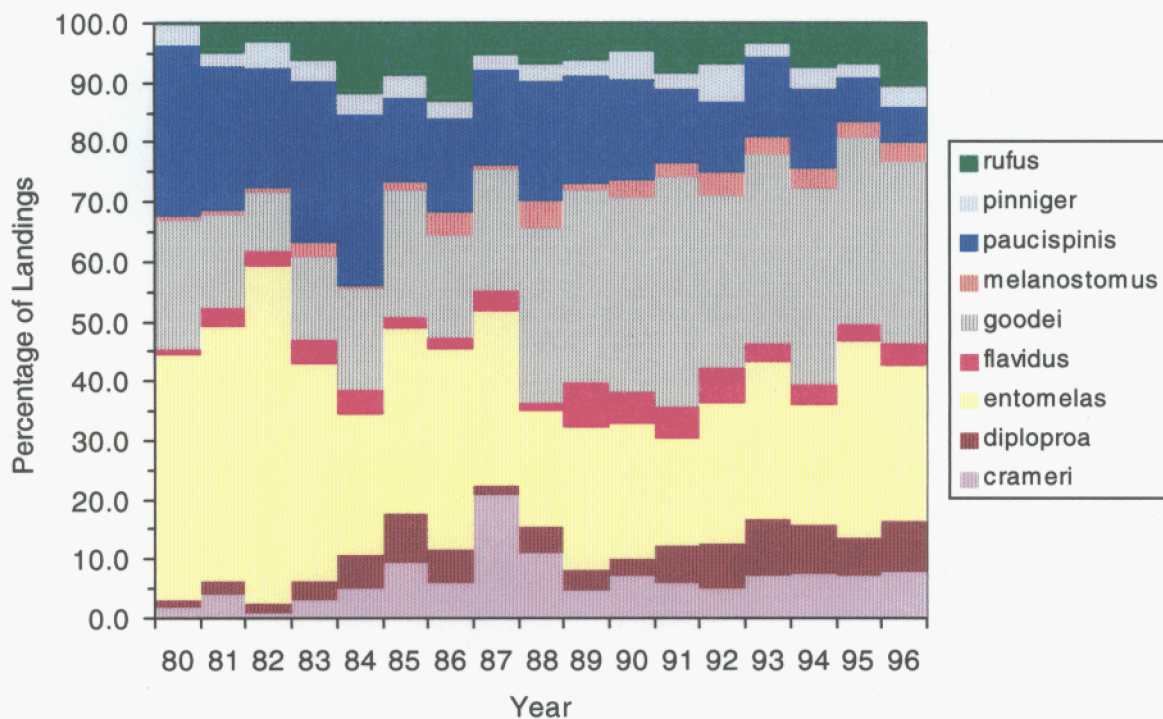
**Figure 13.** Time series of standardized catch rates of *Sebastes flavidus* (yellowtail rockfish).



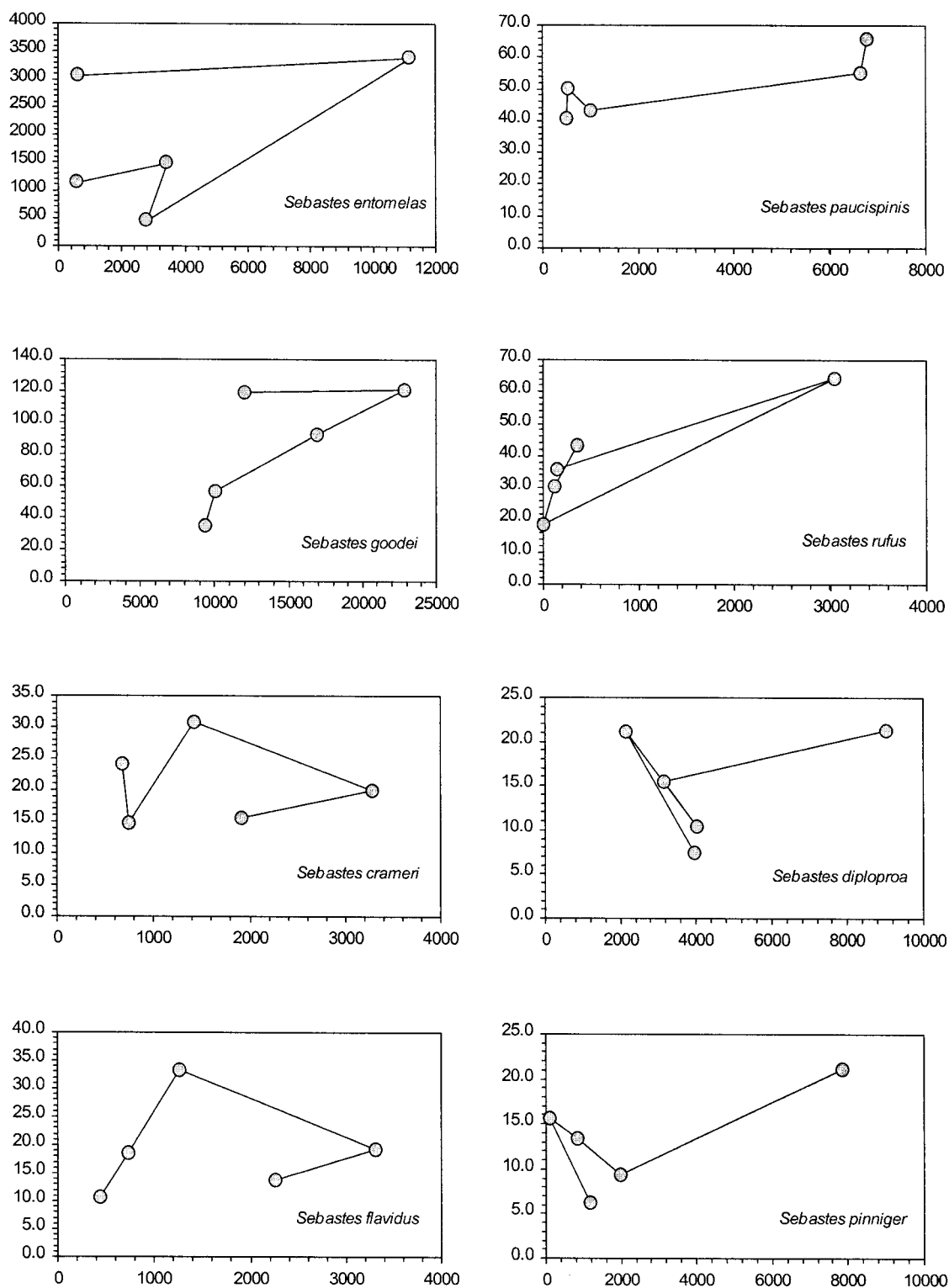
**Figure 14.** Time series of standardized catch rates for *Sebastes melanostomus* (blackgill rockfish).



**Figure 15.** Relationship between catch weighted and area weighted CPUE statistics.



**Figure 16.** Temporal distribution of the relative contribution to total landings among the nine major trawl-caught rockfish species.



**Figure 17.** Relationship between catch-weighted estimates of abundance from the trawl logbook data (Y-axis [lbs/hr]) and AFSC triennial shelf survey estimates of abundance (X-axis [mt]) in the Eureka and Monterey INPFC areas (data from the years 1983, 1986, 1989, 1992, and 1995).

## **Appendix A.**

### **Port-Specific Analysis of Variance Tables for Nominal Widow Rockfish**

# NOMINAL WIDOW ROCKFISH

----- PORT=Crescent City -----

| Class | Levels         | Values  |
|-------|----------------|---|
| YEAR  | 14             | 82 83 84 85 86 87 88 90 91 92 93 94 95 96                   |
| MONTH | 12             | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12                                  |
| BOAT  | 2 <sup>s</sup> | Confidentiality provisions prohibit listing of boat numbers |
| BLOCK | 4              | 104 122 128 218   |

Number of observations in by group = 280

Dependent Variable: LNCPUE

| Source          | DF       | Sum of Squares | Mean Square | F Value     | Pr > F |
|-----------------|----------|----------------|-------------|-------------|--------|
| Model           | 28       | 407.830432     | 14.565373   | 5.98        | 0.0001 |
| Error           | 251      | 611.760088     | 2.437291    |             |        |
| Corrected Total | 279      | 1019.590520    |             |             |        |
|                 | R-Square | C.V.           | Root MSE    | LNCPUE Mean |        |
|                 | 0.399994 | 20.84140       | 1.56118     | 7.49078     |        |

| Source | DF | Type I SS  | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F |
|--------|----|------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| YEAR   | 13 | 186.190972 | 14.322382   | 5.88    | 0.0001 |
| BOAT   | 1  | 31.652859  | 31.652859   | 12.99   | 0.0004 |
| MONTH  | 11 | 70.458149  | 6.405286    | 2.63    | 0.0034 |
| BLOCK  | 3  | 119.528452 | 39.842817   | 16.35   | 0.0001 |

| Source | DF | Type III SS | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F |
|--------|----|-------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| YEAR   | 13 | 111.664932  | 8.589610    | 3.52    | 0.0001 |
| BOAT   | 1  | 0.984610    | 0.984610    | 0.40    | 0.5256 |
| MONTH  | 11 | 48.417567   | 4.401597    | 1.81    | 0.0534 |
| BLOCK  | 3  | 119.528452  | 39.842817   | 16.35   | 0.0001 |

<sup>s</sup> These vessels selected from a much larger pool of participants

# NOMINAL WIDOW ROCKFISH

----- PORT=Eureka -----

|       |        |   |
|-------|--------|---|
| Class | Levels | Values  |
| YEAR  | 15     | 82 83 84 85 86 87 88 89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96                |
| MONTH | 12     | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12                                  |
| BOAT  | 22     | Confidentiality provisions prohibit listing of boat numbers |
| BLOCK | 14     | 122 128 134 202 203 204 211 212 217 218 219 223 228 234     |

Number of observations in by group = 5250

Dependent Variable: LNCPUE

| Source          | DF       | Sum of Squares | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F      |
|-----------------|----------|----------------|-------------|---------|-------------|
| Model           | 59       | 33800.1264     | 572.8835    | 138.05  | 0.0001      |
| Error           | 5190     | 21538.2354     | 4.1499      |         |             |
| Corrected Total | 5249     | 55338.3618     |             |         |             |
|                 | R-Square | C.V.           | Root MSE    |         | LNCPUE Mean |
|                 | 0.610790 | 47.38320       | 2.03714     |         | 4.29929     |

| Source | DF | Type I SS  | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F |
|--------|----|------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| YEAR   | 14 | 7526.8196  | 537.6300    | 129.55  | 0.0001 |
| BOAT   | 21 | 19772.1577 | 941.5313    | 226.88  | 0.0001 |
| MONTH  | 11 | 873.5219   | 79.4111     | 19.14   | 0.0001 |
| BLOCK  | 13 | 5627.6272  | 432.8944    | 104.31  | 0.0001 |

| Source | DF | Type III SS | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F |
|--------|----|-------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| YEAR   | 14 | 789.91196   | 56.42228    | 13.60   | 0.0001 |
| BOAT   | 21 | 8448.00751  | 402.28607   | 96.94   | 0.0001 |
| MONTH  | 11 | 613.48004   | 55.77091    | 13.44   | 0.0001 |
| BLOCK  | 13 | 5627.62722  | 432.89440   | 104.31  | 0.0001 |



# NOMINAL WIDOW ROCKFISH

----- PORT=Fort Bragg -----

| Class | Levels | Values  |
|-------|--------|---|
| YEAR  | 14     | 83 84 85 86 87 88 89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96                   |
| MONTH | 12     | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12                                  |
| BOAT  | 13     | Confidentiality provisions prohibit listing of boat numbers |
| BLOCK | 13     | 234 243 244 249 250 256 263 269 275 403 409 416 425         |

Number of observations in by group = 4040

Dependent Variable: LNCPUE

| Source          | DF   | Sum of Squares | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F |
|-----------------|------|----------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| Model           | 48   | 5671.18358     | 118.14966   | 33.40   | 0.0001 |
| Error           | 3991 | 14118.93004    | 3.53769     |         |        |
| Corrected Total | 4039 | 19790.11362    |             |         |        |

| R-Square | C.V.     | Root MSE | LNCPUE Mean |
|----------|----------|----------|-------------|
| 0.286566 | 64.04196 | 1.88088  | 2.93694     |

| Source | DF | Type I SS  | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F |
|--------|----|------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| YEAR   | 13 | 802.18159  | 61.70628    | 17.44   | 0.0001 |
| BOAT   | 12 | 3730.87029 | 310.90586   | 87.88   | 0.0001 |
| MONTH  | 11 | 377.04268  | 34.27661    | 9.69    | 0.0001 |
| BLOCK  | 12 | 761.08902  | 63.42409    | 17.93   | 0.0001 |

| Source | DF | Type III SS | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F |
|--------|----|-------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| YEAR   | 13 | 519.07081   | 39.92852    | 11.29   | 0.0001 |
| BOAT   | 12 | 3343.83688  | 278.65307   | 78.77   | 0.0001 |
| MONTH  | 11 | 278.22655   | 25.29332    | 7.15    | 0.0001 |
| BLOCK  | 12 | 761.08902   | 63.42409    | 17.93   | 0.0001 |

# NOMINAL WIDOW ROCKFISH

----- PORT=San Francisco -----

| Class | Levels | Values  |
|-------|--------|---|
| YEAR  | 14     | 82 84 85 86 87 88 89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96                   |
| MONTH | 12     | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12                                  |
| BOAT  | 5      | Confidentiality provisions prohibit listing of boat numbers |
| BLOCK | 9      | 416 425 441 451 466 467 475 480 481                         |

Number of observations in by group = 1636

Dependent Variable: LNCPUE

| Source          | DF   | Sum of Squares | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F |
|-----------------|------|----------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| Model           | 36   | 6655.47438     | 184.87429   | 59.44   | 0.0001 |
| Error           | 1599 | 4973.10353     | 3.11013     |         |        |
| Corrected Total | 1635 | 11628.57791    |             |         |        |

| R-Square | C.V.     | Root MSE | LNCPUE Mean |
|----------|----------|----------|-------------|
| 0.572338 | 40.85867 | 1.76356  | 4.31624     |

| Source | DF | Type I SS  | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F |
|--------|----|------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| YEAR   | 13 | 4292.14213 | 330.16478   | 106.16  | 0.0001 |
| BOAT   | 4  | 1410.37907 | 352.59477   | 113.37  | 0.0001 |
| MONTH  | 11 | 242.05611  | 22.00510    | 7.08    | 0.0001 |
| BLOCK  | 8  | 710.89707  | 88.86213    | 28.57   | 0.0001 |

| Source | DF | Type III SS | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F |
|--------|----|-------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| YEAR   | 13 | 794.899660  | 61.146128   | 19.66   | 0.0001 |
| BOAT   | 4  | 903.460318  | 225.865079  | 72.62   | 0.0001 |
| MONTH  | 11 | 232.087864  | 21.098897   | 6.78    | 0.0001 |
| BLOCK  | 8  | 710.897075  | 88.862134   | 28.57   | 0.0001 |

# **NOMINAL WIDOW ROCKFISH**

----- PORT=Bodega Bay -----

| Class | Levels         | Values  |
|-------|----------------|---|
| YEAR  | 10             | 84 85 88 89 90 91 92 93 94 95                               |
| MONTH | 11             | 1 2 3 4 6 7 8 9 10 11 12                                    |
| BOAT  | 3 <sup>s</sup> | Confidentiality provisions prohibit listing of boat numbers |
| BLOCK | 5              | 409 416 417 425 441   |

Number of observations in by group = 785

Dependent Variable: LNCPUE

| Source          | DF       | Sum of Squares | Mean Square | F Value     | Pr > F |
|-----------------|----------|----------------|-------------|-------------|--------|
| Model           | 25       | 1621.93023     | 64.87721    | 23.72       | 0.0001 |
| Error           | 759      | 2075.69962     | 2.73478     |             |        |
| Corrected Total | 784      | 3697.62985     |             |             |        |
|                 | R-Square | C.V.           | Root MSE    | LNCPUE Mean |        |
|                 | 0.438641 | 35.84880       | 1.65372     | 4.61303     |        |

| Source | DF | Type I SS   | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F |
|--------|----|-------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| YEAR   | 9  | 293.146888  | 32.571876   | 11.91   | 0.0001 |
| BOAT   | 2  | 707.836361  | 353.918181  | 129.41  | 0.0001 |
| MONTH  | 10 | 400.469338  | 40.046934   | 14.64   | 0.0001 |
| BLOCK  | 4  | 220.477638  | 55.119410   | 20.15   | 0.0001 |
| Source | DF | Type III SS | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F |
| YEAR   | 9  | 269.745820  | 29.971758   | 10.96   | 0.0001 |
| BOAT   | 2  | 247.481096  | 123.740548  | 45.25   | 0.0001 |
| MONTH  | 10 | 337.969452  | 33.796945   | 12.36   | 0.0001 |
| BLOCK  | 4  | 220.477638  | 55.119410   | 20.15   | 0.0001 |

<sup>s</sup> These vessels selected from a much larger pool of participants

## **Appendix B.**

Port-Specific Analysis of Variance Tables for "Other" Rockfish

**"OTHER" ROCKFISH**

----- PORT=Crescent City -----

| Class | Levels | Values  |
|-------|--------|---|
| YEAR  | 15     | 82 83 84 85 86 87 88 89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96                |
| MONTH | 12     | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12                                  |
| BOAT  | 26     | Confidentiality provisions prohibit listing of boat numbers |
| BLOCK | 14     | 103 104 109 110 115 116 117 121 122 127 128 1102 1107 1118  |

Number of observations in by group = 10013

Dependent Variable: LNCPUE

| Source          | DF    | Sum of Squares | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F |
|-----------------|-------|----------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| Model           | 63    | 15835.0813     | 251.3505    | 108.03  | 0.0001 |
| Error           | 9949  | 23147.7899     | 2.3266      |         |        |
| Corrected Total | 10012 | 38982.8712     |             |         |        |

|  | R-Square | C.V.     | Root MSE | LNCPUE Mean |
|--|----------|----------|----------|-------------|
|  | 0.406206 | 52.66404 | 1.52533  | 2.89635     |

| Source | DF | Type I SS  | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F |
|--------|----|------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| YEAR   | 14 | 1518.8246  | 108.4875    | 46.63   | 0.0001 |
| BOAT   | 25 | 12118.7933 | 484.7517    | 208.35  | 0.0001 |
| MONTH  | 11 | 601.4354   | 54.6759     | 23.50   | 0.0001 |
| BLOCK  | 13 | 1596.0280  | 122.7714    | 52.77   | 0.0001 |

| Source | DF | Type III SS | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F |
|--------|----|-------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| YEAR   | 14 | 915.76127   | 65.41152    | 28.11   | 0.0001 |
| BOAT   | 25 | 6766.32128  | 270.65285   | 116.33  | 0.0001 |
| MONTH  | 11 | 727.64539   | 66.14958    | 28.43   | 0.0001 |
| BLOCK  | 13 | 1596.02802  | 122.77139   | 52.77   | 0.0001 |

**"OTHER" ROCKFISH**

----- PORT=Eureka -----

| Class | Levels | Values   |
|-------|--------|--|
| YEAR  | 15     | 82 83 84 85 86 87 88 89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96   |
| MONTH | 12     | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12   |
| BOAT  | 45     | Confidentiality provisions prohibit listing of boat numbers                            |
| BLOCK | 21     | 122 123 127 128 133 134 202 203 204 210 211 212 213<br>217 218 219 222 223 228 229 234 |

Number of observations in by group = 31414

Dependent Variable: LNCPUE

| Source          | DF    | Sum of Squares | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F |
|-----------------|-------|----------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| Model           | 89    | 57004.5813     | 640.5009    | 201.19  | 0.0001 |
| Error           | 31324 | 99721.7678     | 3.1836      |         |        |
| Corrected Total | 31413 | 156726.3491    |             |         |        |

|  | R-Square | C.V.     | Root MSE | LNCPUE Mean |
|--|----------|----------|----------|-------------|
|  | 0.363720 | 48.15736 | 1.78425  | 3.70505     |

| Source | DF | Type I SS  | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F |
|--------|----|------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| YEAR   | 14 | 2562.0367  | 183.0026    | 57.48   | 0.0001 |
| BOAT   | 44 | 37288.9273 | 847.4756    | 266.20  | 0.0001 |
| MONTH  | 11 | 3019.2211  | 274.4746    | 86.22   | 0.0001 |
| BLOCK  | 20 | 14134.3962 | 706.7198    | 221.99  | 0.0001 |

| Source | DF | Type III SS | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F |
|--------|----|-------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| YEAR   | 14 | 2313.6340   | 165.2596    | 51.91   | 0.0001 |
| BOAT   | 44 | 28180.9516  | 640.4762    | 201.18  | 0.0001 |
| MONTH  | 11 | 2185.4076   | 198.6734    | 62.41   | 0.0001 |
| BLOCK  | 20 | 14134.3962  | 706.7198    | 221.99  | 0.0001 |

**"OTHER" ROCKFISH**

----- PORT=Fort Bragg -----

| Class | Levels | Values   |
|-------|--------|--|
| YEAR  | 15     | 82 83 84 85 86 87 88 89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96                           |
| MONTH | 12     | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12   |
| BOAT  | 22     | Confidentiality provisions prohibit listing of boat numbers            |
| BLOCK | 17     | 234 243 244 250 256 263 264 269 270 275 403 404 409<br>410 416 417 425 |

Number of observations in by group = 20475

Dependent Variable: LNCPUE

| Source          | DF    | Sum of Squares | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F |
|-----------------|-------|----------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| Model           | 62    | 30983.9173     | 499.7406    | 169.75  | 0.0001 |
| Error           | 20412 | 60091.3161     | 2.9439      |         |        |
| Corrected Total | 20474 | 91075.2334     |             |         |        |

| R-Square | C.V.     | Root MSE | LNCPUE Mean |
|----------|----------|----------|-------------|
| 0.340201 | 38.46327 | 1.71579  | 4.46084     |

| Source | DF | Type I SS  | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F |
|--------|----|------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| YEAR   | 14 | 2655.0449  | 189.6461    | 64.42   | 0.0001 |
| BOAT   | 21 | 16411.1477 | 781.4832    | 265.46  | 0.0001 |
| MONTH  | 11 | 1129.3254  | 102.6659    | 34.87   | 0.0001 |
| BLOCK  | 16 | 10788.3993 | 674.2750    | 229.04  | 0.0001 |

| Source | DF | Type III SS | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F |
|--------|----|-------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| YEAR   | 14 | 1918.2937   | 137.0210    | 46.54   | 0.0001 |
| BOAT   | 21 | 9337.6889   | 444.6519    | 151.04  | 0.0001 |
| MONTH  | 11 | 858.2757    | 78.0251     | 26.50   | 0.0001 |
| BLOCK  | 16 | 10788.3993  | 674.2750    | 229.04  | 0.0001 |

**"OTHER" ROCKFISH**

----- PORT=San Francisco -----

| Class | Levels | Values   |
|-------|--------|--|
| YEAR  | 15     | 82 83 84 85 86 87 88 89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96   |
| MONTH | 12     | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12   |
| BOAT  | 27     | Confidentiality provisions prohibit listing of boat numbers                            |
| BLOCK | 21     | 433 440 441 450 451 456 457 458 459 464 465 466 467<br>473 474 475 479 480 481 503 504 |

Number of observations in by group = 17103

Dependent Variable: LNCPUE

| Source          | DF       | Sum of Squares | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F      |
|-----------------|----------|----------------|-------------|---------|-------------|
| Model           | 71       | 45001.7139     | 633.8270    | 345.44  | 0.0001      |
| Error           | 17031    | 31249.5831     | 1.8349      |         |             |
| Corrected Total | 17102    | 76251.2970     |             |         |             |
|                 | R-Square | C.V.           | Root MSE    |         | LNCPUE Mean |
|                 | 0.590176 | 33.23590       | 1.35457     |         | 4.07563     |

| Source | DF | Type I SS  | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F |
|--------|----|------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| YEAR   | 14 | 2492.2947  | 178.0210    | 97.02   | 0.0001 |
| BOAT   | 26 | 36980.6983 | 1422.3346   | 775.17  | 0.0001 |
| MONTH  | 11 | 556.7901   | 50.6173     | 27.59   | 0.0001 |
| BLOCK  | 20 | 4971.9308  | 248.5965    | 135.48  | 0.0001 |

| Source | DF | Type III SS | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F |
|--------|----|-------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| YEAR   | 14 | 1069.5095   | 76.3935     | 41.63   | 0.0001 |
| BOAT   | 26 | 14101.4597  | 542.3638    | 295.59  | 0.0001 |
| MONTH  | 11 | 200.3160    | 18.2105     | 9.92    | 0.0001 |
| BLOCK  | 20 | 4971.9308   | 248.5965    | 135.48  | 0.0001 |



# **"OTHER" ROCKFISH**

----- PORT=Bodega Bay -----

| Class | Levels         | Values  |
|-------|----------------|---|
| YEAR  | 11             | 84 85 86 87 88 91 92 93 94 95 96                            |
| MONTH | 12             | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12                                  |
| BOAT  | 3 <sup>s</sup> | Confidentiality provisions prohibit listing of boat numbers |
| BLOCK | 4              | 417 425 433 441   |

Number of observations in by group = 1507

Dependent Variable: LNCPUE

| Source          | DF   | Sum of Squares | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F |
|-----------------|------|----------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| Model           | 26   | 1672.11751     | 64.31221    | 19.87   | 0.0001 |
| Error           | 1480 | 4791.05158     | 3.23720     |         |        |
| Corrected Total | 1506 | 6463.16909     |             |         |        |

| R-Square | C.V.     | Root MSE | LNCPUE Mean |
|----------|----------|----------|-------------|
| 0.258715 | 33.40223 | 1.79922  | 5.38653     |

| Source | DF | Type I SS  | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F |
|--------|----|------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| YEAR   | 10 | 976.572003 | 97.657200   | 30.17   | 0.0001 |
| BOAT   | 2  | 406.394170 | 203.197085  | 62.77   | 0.0001 |
| MONTH  | 11 | 270.813081 | 24.619371   | 7.61    | 0.0001 |
| BLOCK  | 3  | 18.338257  | 6.112752    | 1.89    | 0.1296 |

| Source | DF | Type III SS | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F |
|--------|----|-------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| YEAR   | 10 | 167.241197  | 16.724120   | 5.17    | 0.0001 |
| BOAT   | 2  | 417.717289  | 208.858645  | 64.52   | 0.0001 |
| MONTH  | 11 | 277.572119  | 25.233829   | 7.79    | 0.0001 |
| BLOCK  | 3  | 18.338257   | 6.112752    | 1.89    | 0.1296 |

<sup>s</sup> These vessels selected from a much larger pool of participants

**"OTHER" ROCKFISH**

----- PORT=Monterey -----

| Class | Levels | Values  |
|-------|--------|---|
| YEAR  | 14     | 82 84 85 86 87 88 89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96                   |
| MONTH | 12     | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12                                  |
| BOAT  | 12     | Confidentiality provisions prohibit listing of boat numbers |
| BLOCK | 9      | 503 504 510 511 517 518 532 533 540                         |

Number of observations in by group = 5709

Dependent Variable: LNCPUE

| Source          | DF   | Sum of Squares | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F |
|-----------------|------|----------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| Model           | 43   | 4844.42837     | 112.66112   | 64.22   | 0.0001 |
| Error           | 5665 | 9938.34787     | 1.75434     |         |        |
| Corrected Total | 5708 | 14782.77623    |             |         |        |

|  | R-Square | C.V.     | Root MSE | LNCPUE Mean |
|--|----------|----------|----------|-------------|
|  | 0.327708 | 25.78862 | 1.32452  | 5.13605     |

| Source | DF | Type I SS  | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F |
|--------|----|------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| YEAR   | 13 | 982.11729  | 75.54748    | 43.06   | 0.0001 |
| BOAT   | 11 | 3540.54425 | 321.86766   | 183.47  | 0.0001 |
| MONTH  | 11 | 107.57953  | 9.77996     | 5.57    | 0.0001 |
| BLOCK  | 8  | 214.18730  | 26.77341    | 15.26   | 0.0001 |

| Source | DF | Type III SS | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F |
|--------|----|-------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| YEAR   | 13 | 513.68449   | 39.51419    | 22.52   | 0.0001 |
| BOAT   | 11 | 2936.69498  | 266.97227   | 152.18  | 0.0001 |
| MONTH  | 11 | 95.04824    | 8.64075     | 4.93    | 0.0001 |
| BLOCK  | 8  | 214.18730   | 26.77341    | 15.26   | 0.0001 |

**"OTHER" ROCKFISH**

----- PORT=Morro Bay -----

| Class | Levels | Values   |
|-------|--------|--|
| YEAR  | 15     | 82 83 84 85 86 87 88 89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96   |
| MONTH | 12     | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12   |
| BOAT  | 35     | Confidentiality provisions prohibit listing of boat numbers                            |
| BLOCK | 21     | 561 602 603 608 609 615 616 617 623 624 625 632 633<br>634 636 638 639 640 641 644 645 |

Number of observations in by group = 19722

Dependent Variable: LNCPUE

| Source          | DF    | Sum of Squares | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F |
|-----------------|-------|----------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| Model           | 79    | 36330.8012     | 459.8836    | 190.91  | 0.0001 |
| Error           | 19642 | 47315.7019     | 2.4089      |         |        |
| Corrected Total | 19721 | 83646.5030     |             |         |        |

|  | R-Square | C.V.     | Root MSE | LNCPUE Mean |
|--|----------|----------|----------|-------------|
|  | 0.434337 | 34.65728 | 1.55206  | 4.47832     |

| Source | DF | Type I SS  | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F |
|--------|----|------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| YEAR   | 14 | 4516.0849  | 322.5775    | 133.91  | 0.0001 |
| BOAT   | 34 | 20075.4164 | 590.4534    | 245.11  | 0.0001 |
| MONTH  | 11 | 569.8859   | 51.8078     | 21.51   | 0.0001 |
| BLOCK  | 20 | 11169.4139 | 558.4707    | 231.84  | 0.0001 |

| Source | DF | Type III SS | Mean Square | F Value | Pr > F |
|--------|----|-------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| YEAR   | 14 | 1701.6391   | 121.5456    | 50.46   | 0.0001 |
| BOAT   | 34 | 8227.0596   | 241.9723    | 100.45  | 0.0001 |
| MONTH  | 11 | 311.5811    | 28.3256     | 11.76   | 0.0001 |
| BLOCK  | 20 | 11169.4139  | 558.4707    | 231.84  | 0.0001 |